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AUSTRIA.

Napoleon in Conference with Baron Von Beust.

SALZBURG, Tuesday, Aug. 20.

The Emperor NAPOLEON held a long conference to-day with Baron VON BEUST, the Prime Minister of Austria.

The Private Interviews Between Napoleon and Francis Joseph.

SALZBURG, Tuesday, Aug. 20—Evening.

The private interviews which have taken place between their Majesties the Emperors of France and Austria, and between NAPOLEON and Baron VON BEUST, have resulted in a good understanding, but no treaty has been made.

The Peace of Germany Secured.

VIENNA, Tuesday, Aug. 20—Evening.

All the official journals declare that the peace of Germany is now secured.

TURKEY.

Fuad Pasha, the Turkish Minister, en Route to Meet the Czar of Russia.

CONSTANTINOPLE, Tuesday, Aug. 20.

FUAD PASHA, the Minister who accompanied the Sultan throughout his Western tour has gone to the Crimea to meet the Emperor ALEXANDER of Russia

GREAT BRITAIN.

Lord Monck to Remain One Year Longer in Canada.

LONDON, Tuesday, Aug. 20.

Lord MONCK does not return to England, but will remain one year longer in Canada, at the head of the new Government.

ITALY.

The American Legation in Rome Closed.

ROME, Tuesday, Aug. 20.

The Mission of the United States at the Holy See having been discontinued, the American Legation in this city has been closed.

SPAIN.

The Insurrection Still Unquelled.

LONDON, Tuesday, Aug. 20.

Though it is difficult to obtain any reliable information from Spain, it is known that Gen. PRIM is still at the head of the insurrection, which has not been quelled.

It is reported that Gen. PRIM is supplied with funds by prominent bankers in Paris.

FINANCIAL AND COMMERCIAL.

Financial.

LONDON, Tuesday, Aug. 20—Noon.

The Daily *News* of this morning, in its City Article, says that trade is improving. The Money market is firmer, and Consols last evening closed heavy. The Cotton market is dull and inactive, owing to the unusually heavy receipts from the United States.

No further reduction in the Bank rate of discount is expected at present.

American Securities opened as follows: Erie, 45; Illinois, 78; United States Bonds, 73¾; Atlantic and Great Western, 21¾.

Consols are heavy at 94¾.

LONDON, Tuesday, Aug. 20—2 P. M.

Consols have declined ¼, and are now quoted at 94¼ for money.

United States Five-Twenty Bonds tend downward, and are now quoted at 73¾.

Illinois Central Railway Shares have declined ¼, and the quotation now is 77½.

Erie Railway Shares, 45.

Atlantic and Great Western Consolidated Bonds, 21¾.

Commercial.

LIVERPOOL, Tuesday, Aug. 20—Noon.

The Cotton market is dull and less active, though prices are unchanged. The sales to-day will not exceed 8,000 bales. Middling Orleans, 10¾; Middling Uplands, 11¼.

BREADSTUFFS—Wheat, 13s. 9d. for new Southern. Barley, 5s. Corn 38s. Oats, 2s. 1d. Peas, 42s. 6d. Flour, 34s.

PROVISIONS—Cheese, 50s. 9d. Beef, 139s. Lard, 90s. Pork, 75s. 6d. Bacon, 44s.

PRODUCE—Resin, common, 7s. 6d.; middling, 13s. Tallow, 44s. 9d. Ashes, 31s. Spirits Turpentine, 32s. 3d. Petroleum — Spirits, 8¼d.; refined, 1s. 8¼d. Clover Seed, 41s.

LONDON, Tuesday, Aug. 20—Noon.

Sugar, 26s. 6d. Oils—Whale, £40; Sperm, £115; Linseed, £39 10s. Iron, 63s. Linseed Cakes, £10 5s. Linseed, 68s. 6d.

LIVERPOOL, Tuesday, Aug. 20—2 P. M.

COTTON unchanged.

In the Breadstuffs market Oats have declined to 2s. 11d., Peas to 42s., and Corn to 38s. Wheat, Barley and Flour without change.

In the Provision market Lard has advanced to 51s.

No change in Beef, Pork, Cheese or Bacon.

In the Produce market refined Petroleum has advanced to 1s. 4d. Other articles without alteration.

LONDON, Tuesday, Aug. 20—2 P. M.

We have no changes to report in our markets since the noon report.

LONDON, Tuesday, Aug. 20—Evening.

Consols closed stronger at 94-16 for money.]

American securities closed at the following rates:

United States Five-Twenty Bonds	73¾
Illinois Central Railway Shares	77¾
Erie Railway Shares	45¾
Atlantic and Great Western Consolidated Bonds	21¾

FRANKFORT, Tuesday, Aug. 20—Evening.

United States Bonds closed at 77 for the issue of 1865.

MARINE NEWS.

Arrivals Out.

SOUTHAMPTON, Tuesday, Aug. 20—Noon.

The North German Lloyd steamship *Bremen*, Capt. SEVEN, which left New-York on the 7th of August, arrived here at 9 o'clock last evening, on the way to Bremen.

The Hamburg-American Line's steamship *Cimbria*, Capt. TRAUTMAN, which left New-York on the 10th of August, arrived at this port at 6 o'clock this morning. After landing her London passengers, the *Cimbria* proceeded to Hamburg.

QUEENSTOWN, Tuesday, Aug. 20—2 P. M.

The steamship *City of Baltimore*, Capt. MCGUIGAN, from New-York Aug. 10, arrived this morning *en route* to Liverpool.

LIVERPOOL, Tuesday, Aug. 20—Evening.

COTTON—The market is heavy and prices have declined 1-16d.@⅛d. The following are the authorised closing quotations:

Middling Uplands..... 10¾d.
Middling Orleans..... 11 1-16d.

The sales of the day foot up 8,000 bales.

TRADE REPORT—The advices from Manchester are unfavorable; the market for Goods and Yarns is dull, with a declining tendency in prices.

BREADSTUFFS—The market for Flour and Grain closed weak, but prices nominally unchanged; Corn, 38s.; Barley, 5s.; Oats, 2s. 11d.; Peas, 42s.; Flour, 34s.; Wheat, 13s. 9d. for New Southern.

PROVISIONS—Lard firm, at 51s.; Beef, 139s., and Pork, 75s. 6d. ℔ bbl.; Cheese and Bacon unchanged.

PRODUCE—Resin—7s. 6d. for Common, and 13s. for Medium. Tallow, 44s. 9d. Spirits Turpentine, 32s. 3d. Petroleum, 8¼d. for spirits, and 1s. 4d. for refined.

LONDON, Tuesday, Aug. 20—Evening.

Sugar market closed dull; No. 12 Dutch Standard nominal, at 25s. 6d. Iron steady, at 53s. ℔ ton. Other quotations unaltered.

Marine Disaster.

LIVERPOOL, Tuesday, Aug. 20—Noon.

The ship *Myrtle*, which recently sailed from this port for Philadelphia, returned late last evening, having sprung sleak. The amount of damage has not been ascertained.

BY STEAMSHIP TO AUG. 11.

The Royal mail steamship *Scotia*, Capt. JUDKINS, which left Liverpool at 4 o'clock on the afternoon of the 10th, and Queenstown on the 11th of August, arrived at this port yesterday forenoon. Her news is three days later than that received by the *City of Paris*.

The Peace of Germany Secured.

The work of closing up the business of the session was rapidly progressing in both Houses of Parliament. The usual indicator of the end—the Ministerial white-bait dinner at Greenwich—was fixed for the 14th of August, and it was supposed the adjournment would take place on or before the 20th.

The House of Commons of the 8th August, took into consideration the amendments to the Reform Bill made by the House of Lords. Mr. DISRAELI opened the discussion. Speaking on behalf of the Government, he disapproved of the alterations (except that relating to voting papers) made by the Peers, but recommended the Commons to accept the amendments because the Lords had shown a very conciliatory spirit in their proceedings. Mr. GLADSTONE next rose, but merely for the purpose of rebuking Mr. DISRAELI for asking the House to agree to changes of which the Government did not approve. As for the conciliatory spirit attributed to the Lords, the less—remarked Mr. GLADSTONE—said about that the better. Mr. FORSTER opposed the amendment, giving a new interpretation of the term "poor rate," and so little opposition was offered by the Conservatives that the decision of the Peers was reversed without a division. The lodger franchise was also settled without a division, the House agreeing to refix it at £10 instead of £15, as decided by the Lords. A proposal to disagree to the amendment of the Peers with respect to the copy-hold and leasehold franchise was resisted, but the House, by a majority of 235 against 188, annulled the decision of the upper House. Mr. BRIGHT vigorously denounced the amendment as to the representation of minorities in three-cornered constituencies, and was followed on the same side by Mr. GOSCHEN and Mr. GLADSTONE. Mr. LOWE supported the amendment, which was agreed to by a majority of 49, as many as 457 members voting. The amendment as to the voting for the members for the City of London, was also agreed to. The voting papers amendment was thrown out on a division by 258 to 206, notwithstanding a suggestion of the Chancellor of the Exchequer to confine its operation to the counties.

The Dublin *Express* says the Sixty-ninth Regiment had received orders in Dublin to be prepared to embark on the 20th of August for Canada, to meet a threatened invasion by the Fenians. Two other regiments in England have also, it is said, been ordered to hold themselves in readiness. The Dublin paper adds, that Lord STRATHNAIRN, who was in London and about to return to Dublin, had been detained in consequence of the receipt of intelligence from Canada.

The semi-official *North German Gazette* of the 8th says:

"The report contained in a letter dated Paris, 29th July, and published by the *General Augsburg Gazette* of the 1st inst., respecting some alleged negotiations between the Cabinets of Paris and Berlin relative to Schleswig, is, we are in a position to say, nothing but a pure invention from beginning to end. We may express a hope that attempts like the above to deceive the public as to the relations existing between the two Cabinets will not be successful. Those relations continue to be of the most friendly character. The same holds good with regard to such anecdotes as that published in the Vienna *Presse*, respecting a conversation between the Marquis DE MOUSTIER and the Prussian Minister in Paris. Such inventions need no contradiction. We all the more regret to see a journal like the *Weser Gazette* give publicity to such erroneous representations. No such instructions as those which that journal recently alleged to have been issued by Count BISMARCK were given. The Prussian Government has not taken, nor needed to take, steps of the kind alluded to, simply because there has been no cause for any. The communications of the French Government to its representatives relative to Schleswig were not, either in form or substance, of a character to call for any subsequent communications. The Prussian Government has neither received nor given any cause for peace to be looked upon as menaced. We entertain no doubt that the pacific sentiments by which Prussia is animated will be shared and reciprocated by France."

A Naples telegram of the 9th sets forth that cholera was making terrific ravages at Palermo. The average number of deaths was 190 daily.

The Ex-Queen of Naples died at Rome on the 8th, it is said of cholera.

A Copenhagen telegram of Aug. 8 states that a semi-official denial has been given to-day to a report current here, that the United States Senator, Mr. DOOLITTLE, who visited Copenhagen two months ago, on his way to St. Petersburgh, had carried on negotiations with the Danish Government for the cession of the Island of St. Thomas to the United States. Mr. DOOLITTLE, it is added, had no communication whatever with the President of the Danish Ministry.

Official dispatches received in Paris from Admiral GRANDIERE announce the occupation of the six western provinces of Lower Cochin China. The French troops occupied the towns of Ving Kung, Sadec, Chaudoc and Hatien, without firing a shot, the Mandarins of these places opening their gates with the unanimous consent of the inhabitants. The annexation of these territories to France is effected because they served as a refuge to pirates and agitators. A proclamation of the Admiral dated the 25th of June says: "Henceforth the six provinces of Lower Cochin China, are and will remain French territory."

GREAT BRITAIN.

The Representation of Minorities Discussed in the House of Commons—Speeches of Messrs. Bright and Gladstone.

In the House of Commons, Aug. 8, on the consideration of the Lords' amendment to the Reform Bill, inserting after clause 9 the following clause:

"Clause A—At a contested election for any county or borough represented by three members no person shall vote for *more than* two candidates."

Mr. BRIGHT rose and said: Sir, I shall move that the House do disagree with the amendment of the Lords. [Cheers.] I was rather surprised at the speech of the right honorable gentleman the Chancellor of the Exchequer upon this point when I recollected the speech he delivered when the same matter was before the House some few weeks ago. The right honorable gentleman concluded his remarks upon this subject by admitting that his views upon it had not changed. That much was the case I knew very well without his saying so, ["hear," hear" and a laugh,] because I am quite sure it would be impossible for any person holding the view which he so clearly laid before us on a former occasion to have changed his mind upon the point now. The right honorable gentleman, the member for Calne, proposed a mode of giving members in these large boroughs to the minority, which is alleged now to be unrepresented. The proposition of the right honorable gentleman was different from that which has come down to us from the House of Lords, but although arriving at it in a different way, it really would have brought about the same result. The right honorable gentleman—and I beg honorable members on this side of the House to hear the circumstance in mind—acting in precise accordance with the member of the other House by whom this change has been proposed, suggested this change as a corrective of the Liberal—or probably he would use the term Democratic—character of the bill before us. He did not propose it as a portion of a grand scheme for giving to everybody throughout the country—minorities as well as majorities—a representative in this House, but as a provision made necessary by the extravagant and perilous character of the bill the Chancellor of the Exchequer has introduced, and which has been supported with so much good will by gentlemen on that as well as on this side of the House. The plan of the right honorable gentleman was supported by the noble Lord the member for Stamford, perfectly consistently, as far as I have observed, with everything he has done upon this question, and was supported by him and by all those honorable gentlemen opposite who differed from the Government with regard to the question before the House, and it was also supported by certain honorable members on this side of the House who are in favor of the representation of minorities, not because it was a corrective of a democratic measure, but because they think that everybody should be represented. I understand the honorable member for Westminster takes the latter view, and in a long and a very able, although I must say, arising probably from the nature of the subject, in a somewhat intricate speech, explained to the House the plan proposed by Mr. HARE. Mr. HARE's plan, however, was by no means a plan for the representation of minorities, but was a plan for representing everybody. I think, indeed, that some of us have a right to complain of my honorable friend the member for Westminster and his friends, not because they are in favor of representing everybody, but because they are in favor of a proposition like this which really, if carried, will not represent everybody, but which strikes off a very large portion of the representative power which the people at this time enjoy while it does not do in any degree, or even approach to doing, that which my honorable friend and his friends wish to be done by the establishment of Mr. HARE's system. In point of fact, they appear to me to have been taken by this—I wish I could find a suitable word to express my contempt for the proposition, without expressing in the slightest degree anything which might be offensive to honorable members on this side of the House. (Laughter.) Now, I think that these gentlemen who are in favor of Mr. HARE's plan are not in the slightest degree bound to support this plan. There is no intention on the part of the Government, or of this House, or of the House of Lords, or of anybody in the country at present to establish Mr. HARE's plan, and the carrying of this proposition or of anything which is likely to follow it will be an unmixed injustice to the boroughs thus treated. The proposition is not only not likely to lead to the plan of Mr. HARE, but in all probability it will create such ill-will in these large boroughs and in the country generally, that we shall be further than ever from taking into consideration Mr. HARE's plan with any favorable feeling toward it. When this question was before the House on the previous occasion, the division was of a most remarkable character. There were some members of this side who voted with the Government, but I think this majority was, I believe, about 140 against the proposition. [Hear, hear.] On that occasion, as I have remarked elsewhere, the Chancellor of the Exchequer made a speech which struck me as being more earnest and more full of real feeling than any other which he has made during the prolonged discussion on this bill. But what did Lord DERBY say in the House of Lords? I presume we are at liberty to mention exalted personages in an exalted place during the discussion on the amendments which they have sent down here. Well, what he said was that it was entirely unconstitutional, and that its practical working only be bounded by the extent or the narrowness of its operation. [Hear.] Now, I shall not pretend to have a greater reverence for Lord DERBY than honorable gentlemen opposite. I have often thought him rash, I have often thought him unwise, and I have been during twenty-four years of political life for the most part in opposition to his views; but I think that when he is Prime Minister, having considered this question of Reform minutely, and particularly since last session—I think that when he expresses so strong an opinion on a point of this nature, an opinion backed by the Chancellor of the Exchequer and by a majority of 140 members of this House, I have a right to say that that opinion ought not to be lightly passed by. [Cheers.] And I beg honorable gentlemen opposite to bear in mind the tone of the Chancellor of the Exchequer, which seemed to indicate that he adhered to his original opinion, and would have preferred that the House of Lords had not made this alteration. I think it very likely that they may feel that they are only carrying out what is for the true interests of the country and of the Government by adhering to the vote which they came to when this question was before us on a former occasion. I think that I think your vote was of far more consequence in this matter than the vote of the House of Lords, but I do not pretend for a moment to say that the House of Lords has not full power to consider this question and to suggest and pass amendments. They have the legal and the constitutional power to do that, and I am not about to call it in question in the least degree. But I say that when it is a matter affecting the fundamental principles of our representation, affecting the power and the status of a considerable number of members of this House, the vote of the House of Commons is necessarily of greater weight than the vote of the House of Lords. [Hear, hear.] What is the change which you are asked to make? I say it is a fundamental change. There is no precedent whatever for it in our Parliamentary history. It affects the very foundation of what I may call the constituency, and it affects the power not only of the constituency but of every individual in it. I have said elsewhere, and I repeat it here, that the alteration proposed has not been asked for. This proposition which is sent down to us has never been asked for by this House of Commons by any constituency by any petition or by any public meeting, and I venture to say that there has never been a minority defeated fairly—and I speak not now of bribery and corruption or drink—there has never been a minority defeated fairly, who did not accept their defeat in a fair spirit and look forward to the time when, by the growth of their opinions and the increase of their numbers, the minority might ultimately become the majority. [Hear, hear.] For six hundred years, as far as our Parliamentary annals go back—and one of the learned clerks at the table can tell us how far they go back—the principle of election has been that the majority of the voices of the constituency, to which the writ or the precept is issued, should elect the member or members to sit in this House. May I ask the House to bear this in mind? You are urged to agree to a proposition of a most important character, which the Chancellor of the Exchequer has condemned in the strongest language, which Lord DERBY says is unconstitutional to the last degree, and the mischief of which can only be bounded by the limits to which it extends; and you are asked to agree to this proposition when it has never come before the public, or the constituencies have discussed it at all. I will undertake to say that of all the discussions which have taken place on the question of this bill during this year and last year, at all the meetings, whether under a roof or beneath the open sky, there has never been any debate or discussion or consideration whatever of the principle which is now offered to us in this clause as it has come down to this House; and I think it should not be unfairly urging my views upon the House, if I suggest that the House at least should suspend its decision in favor of this proposition until it has been for a longer time before the country, and the constituents may have had the opportunity of considering it and making up their minds upon it. [Cheers.] It has been often said that we are not delegates in this House; but if we are not delegates we are not rulers. We were sent here to represent the general views of our constituents, and we have morally no power to cut off the influence of those constituents, to make a fundamental change in the Constitution, to narrow and alter and overthrow the practice of 600 years, and all, not because a majority of this House is in favor of it, for a majority of 140 is against it, but because another House, which is not representative, and which has no direct influence in this matter, not a member of which can vote for a member of this House, and not a member can affect the vote of an election without infringing upon the orders of this House; I say it is an intolerable and unbelievable thing that this House should, under these circumstances, agree to a proposition thus fundamentally changing our Constitution. * * * What you are wanting to do is a thing which is absurd on the face of it. You take a constituency which has always hitherto been held to be what I should call a united and compact body, and you propose that it shall return two voices, that at one election by an arrangement made by this House, recommended by the other House, the same constituency shall be allowed to say this and the other end shall be made to say that. It reminds me of those jugglers whom one has seen exhibiting the cleverness of their touch by putting three of the same bottle port, champagne, milk, and water. The intention of the scheme is that an electoral body, by a peculiar contrivance hitherto unknown, and, I will undertake to say, if ever heard of heretofore despised, shall not be asked to do, but shall be made to do this, to return two members to sit on that side and one member on this, or two on this and one on that—and the result will be admirable; it will put an end to all the animosities of contests and the attendant expenditure, and there will be nothing so charming as the political tranquillity and good humor prevailing in these boroughs. Take the Borough of Huntingdon, represented by the right honorable gentleman who has just left the House. In Huntingdon the greatest tranquillity has prevailed since the right honorable gentleman went there. [Laughter.] There has hardly, I believe, been one, certainly I doubt if there has been more than one contest in all that time; nothing can be more admirable than the way things are managed at Huntingdon. ["Hear, hear," and laughter.] But Huntingdon is not the centre of political life. If all the boroughs of England were like Huntingdon, the political life and the freedom of the country would be extinguished. And when freedom is gone I wonder what is left to England that is worth preserving. [Cheers.] One word of caution, if the House will permit me, before I close. You are about to give to many hundreds of thousands of your countrymen, who have not hitherto possessed it, the power of voting for representatives in Parliament. Lord DERBY said, I think, only last night or the other night in the House of Lords, that you were taking "a leap in the dark," and he trusts, somehow or other, the ground on which he is coming down will be soft, and that he will not be much injured. But you are admitting at least half a million of persons who have not hitherto voted in boroughs, perhaps many more, and you want them—if you want anything—to be guided by the ancient principles of the Constitution in all that they do when they have the power, in order that they may not depart from the great chart which I hope in some degree they have followed, and which was laid down by our ancestors and forefathers in this House. Suppose you depart from it in this matter that we are now discussing, and introduce something entirely novel that cannot be defended by argument—for nobody, in my opinion, has ever attempted to defend it—the Chancellor of the Exchequer never heard of an argument about it that he thought worth answering ["Hear," and laughter]—if you introduce something so entirely novel and so offensive, is it not possible that those who will have power after this bill passes may think also that there are many fantastic things which they might do, and doing them, would be as much justified as the House now are in doing this? [Hear, hear.] When I have addressed great meetings of my countrymen, I have always advised them to adhere strictly to that which is constitutionally and morally right. It, at any future time, while I am in Parliament, or in any degree of prominence before the country, they should attempt to do things with regard to your class and order which I believe to be morally and constitutionally wrong, I shall be as firm in opposing them as I have been firm in supporting the rights which they have demanded. [Cheers.] And I lament over the possibility of such a proposition as this being acceded to, because I am certain that it will afford an example hereafter to those who may wish to follow it, not in this precise direction, but in some other direction which they may equally well justify, but which may be very perilous and injurious to the country. Now, I enter my protest against this on all grounds. I enter it as one of the members for the great constituency, to which the other day you accorded an additional member, and from which now you are about to take one-half their present political power. I say the constituency would prefer that the member you are about to give had been granted to Keighley, to St. Helen's, to Barnsley, or to Luton, as at first proposed. [Cheers.] I saw 5,000 men only two nights ago in the Free Trade Hall in Manchester; it was not a packed meeting, everybody in Manchester had a right to go in; I believe about 1,000 paid to do so, and 4,000 or 5,000 went in free. They unanimously passed a petition that has been presented to-night by my honorable friend the member for Manchester, and in it they prayed the House to do one of three things. They asked that either the borough might be divided as in the case of Glasgow—and why should Glasgow be in a better position as to its third member than Manchester or Leeds?—[cheers]—or that the majority should decide the election as at present, or, failing either of these courses, that the House should withdraw the grant of an additional member who is merely to be paired off against one of their present members. Will you refuse that petition? Has there ever been a case like this in the annals of the English Parliament where a great constituency besought you not to confer upon them additional representation because you were going to give it in a manner notoriously destructive of their existing political power? I say, then, as one of the members for Birmingham, I wholly protest against this proposition. * * * You are a responsible and representative body. You have powers; and, though they cannot be written exactly, and though you cannot take a clause from the Constitution which shall strictly define them, you have powers that are far above the powers of the monarch, or of the aristocracy in the House of Peers. Of those powers you cannot divest yourself; they sprang from the very source of your existence, for you come from the people throughout the length and breadth of the country; and you cannot and you dare not—I say you dare not—betray their rights or desert their interests in this matter. [Cheers.] I am afraid the right honorable gentleman will say I am speaking strongly and passionately, because I am one of the members whose constituents are interested now materially in this matter. I do not deny it. I should be ashamed of myself if I did not admit that it made some difference in the earnestness and warmth of my feelings with regard to it; but if I went out of the House to-night—and I would rather go out of it to-night than vote for this proposition, [hear, hear,] or sit for a constituency elected as the representative of the minority—if I were to leave the House to-night and never to return to it, I should entertain precisely the same feeling, and should express it with precisely the same warmth and earnestness with which I submit my views at this moment to the House. [Cheers.] May I ask the House to lift themselves just for a moment from any narrow view of the party? It is not a question of party; let us leave that aside altogether. Let us not suppose for a moment that we are going to injure or aid the Government—there is nothing of that kind in the proposition. It will be greatly to the credit of Lord DERBY and of the right honorable gentleman in regard to the historic character of their measure, that it should not be defaced by a great evil like this. [Cheers.] I am speaking in their interest as much as any can do who have supported this bill. Let us, therefore, get rid of the feeling of party—of the feelings that we are going to vote for or against the Government. Let us get rid, if you like of all feeling except that this change has been recommended to us by the House of Lords, in which there cannot be either the same knowledge or the same interest in the matter which exists in this House. [Hear.] Let us look at this simply as it refers to the great body of persons in whose names we sit and speak here; let us look at it in reference to that grand old freedom which our forefathers struggled for and secured, and maintained, and the advantages of which, from the day of our birth till this hour we have been constantly enjoying. Sir, Mr. PEEL's proposition had come before this House at the time when the great men, the giants of the English Constitution, sat in this House, they would have treated it in a manner much less decorous than we shall treat it, and there is no one single name that appears among the great men of the English freedom, in which I would not have been found to give his vote for me in the division to which I ask the House to go upon this question. [Loud and continued cheering.]

SPEECH OF MR. GLADSTONE.

After some further debate Mr. GLADSTONE rose and said: I very deeply lament the conclusion at which the Government have arrived in regard to the course they should take on this question. But while I deeply lament it, I do not presume to censure it. I admit the difficulty in which they stand. They are naturally anxious for the success of a bill which they wish to see pass into a law. They stand, in a certain sense, as mediators between the two Houses of Parliament, and if in my own mind I think they have arrived at an erroneous judgment in—I must admit that they are, as far as their own course is concerned, acquainted with many elements and considerations which bear upon it, but which are necessarily concealed from our view. And I am bound to say that in the course of this debate I think it only fair to the right honorable gentleman the Chancellor of the Exchequer to acknowledge that he has brought the subject candidly before the House of Commons, stating, on the one hand, that he retains his own opinion, the expression of which has left so deep an impression on our minds, and that, on the other hand, he thinks it fair, looking to the mixed considerations which govern Parliamentary proceedings, to recommend the adoption of the amendment. Sir, I lament, but I cannot presume to censure that course. I have this consolitary consideration in the remarks that I mean to address to the House, that I feel I am expressing the undoubted opinion of a large majority of the House. [Cheers.] The division which took place many weeks ago placed that fact upon record. If those who were then the majority are now to be the minority they will be so, not because they have altered their opinions, but because, from considerations of policy, they deem it wise to waive those opinions. And the question which I wish to raise and to present fairly to the mind of the House is, whether there is before us a fair and sufficient case for waiving those opinions which the large majority of the House undoubtedly entertain, and which they have recorded in the face of the country by a division? I am not going to enter into what I heard the words Liberal and Conservative used by my honorable friend, the member for Sandwich, and this during the course of the present debate. Sir, I know of no such words as applicable to the consideration of this question, or if I am to qualify that statement I will say that I feel conscious I am arguing this question from a Conservative point of view. This is undoubtedly a great innovation—great in its virtual objects, great in its ultimate extension—and unless great and powerful reasons can be shown in its favor it is to you, the Conservative gentlemen of England, who are bound to give aid to any of us who may take the same view in resisting a causeless change in the institutions of the country. [Hear.] I am an ill calculator of such matters, but I believe the proposed change would be in favor of the party to which I belong. That, however, does not alter the question. If adopted at all, this proposition must be adopted with perhaps the knowledge, and, at least, with the certainty that, whether we admit it ourselves or not, it must unfold and expand itself over the whole country, and completely reconstruct the system of distribution of seats. * * * Opposed as I am to the principle of representation of minorities, I feel that if we are forced into it on the basis of a plan such as that before us, the injustice that will be inflicted upon the great towns and counties with tripartite representation will be so gross as to be almost penal, on the majorities of those constituencies, and, after a deliberate consideration of what has fallen from honorable members here to-night, and not upon preconceived opinions, I protest that we must not be accused of inconsistency if we go further as a choice of evils. [Cheers.] I beg the House, apart from the merits of the question, to consider the position in which we are placed with respect to the time and circumstances in which it comes before us. We adopted this session a great change in the basis of the franchise, and we have now another change before us which, perhaps, in certain, though not yet evolved consequences, is equally great. But that change on the basis of the franchise we adopted after long consideration, after discussion to which there was no limit but the free discretion of the Commons of England. We had the opportunity of viewing it in every light, and of applying to it every possible test of argument and inquiry, and that which we adopted we embodied in the bill which we sent to the House of Lords, and which the House of Lords have sent back to us. Now, why is it that with regard to this country, apart from and beyond all nations of the world, it is a common subject of observation with every foreigner, that progress in England may be achieved slowly, but that it is achieved surely? It is because these opportunities of deliberation are given. It is because great changes if they are adopted are not adopted until time and occasion have been given for all the members of both branches of the Legislature to bring every faculty of their mind, sharpened by so many opportunities, to bear upon them, so that the nation shall have every opportunity and every guarantee that human institutions can afford for the wisdom of the conclusions at which we eventually arrive. Now, is that the case with the great matter before us? Having spoken on the question of time, I would ask the House to consider the principle of the measure, and that first of all, as regards the adoption of the doctrine proclaimed by my honorable friend, (Mr. KNATCHBULL-HUGESSEN,) the representation of men, and not only the representation of communities. Do not let my honorable friend suppose that I regard him as an apostate from Liberal principles for proclaiming such a doctrine. My Liberalism, however, may be more infirm than his, [a laugh,] and I entreat him to give me a little time before I embrace the doctrine of the representation of men, instead of the representation of communities. The House of Common—the oldest and greatest and most venerable Legislative Assembly in the world, and I trust in another sense the freshest and the youngest, with the largest and richest future before it—the House of Commons has, from its first beginning to this day, been founded, and founded exclusively, upon the principle of the representation of communities, and communities alone. (Cheers.) If this change be adopted, you ought, for consistency's sake, to alter the language at least of the writs addressed to the citizens of London and to South Lancashire, Manchester, Liverpool, &c. Those writs ought hereafter to say that the majority in those respective communities is directed to return so many members and the minority so many. (Cheers and laughter.) But, according to the old and time-honored language, taught us from our infancy, those communities are integral parts of this Constitution, and those who represent them are elected by them as a whole, and are bound to look to the welfare and interest of the whole. All this, however, would be changed, and if it is to be changed, surely we are entitled to ask—I would almost add to demand—time for the adoption of a change so great and so pregnant as that of passing from the representation of communities to the representation of men. [Hear, hear.] Time should be given us to deal with this subject properly, to consider whether the principle should be embraced at all, whether, if embraced, it should not be embraced upon a scale adequate to its magnitude and its depth, and whether, further, if we embrace it upon a limited scale, we do no inaugurate it by an act of the grossest injustice. [Hear, hear.] We who are contending for the representation of communities say plainly that if you depart from that principle you will raise up a new host and crop of claims on the part of the majorities in the great constituencies—claims so equitable in themselves, that you will find it impossible to resist them. If you yield to the claims of the minorities in the great towns, if you take the step now proposed, the end of it will be, must be, and can only be that the principle shall be equally and unsparingly carried throughout the country, and that those electoral districts which have hitherto been one of the monopolies of gentlemen bearing the title of Chartists will come before you with claims which either *in toto* or in approximation you will be morally compelled to admit. [Hear, hear.] Sir, I must own, as the result not only of my study or personal feeling, that looking to the mischiefs by the bid in this proposal, I regard it as most dangerous. I feel that there are two alternatives offered. We may decline to recognize those claims of minorities, or recognizing them we may be prepared to carry the principle through, and apply it impartially as a general if not an universal rule throughout the country. I own I am very doubtful whether if we did so apply it we should be a bit better off than we are now—whether the representation of all parties, grades and classes in the community would be better than it is. There are some difficulties of machinery, and I have heard no suggestion made as to how we could get over them. When Lord RUSSELL in 1854 made a similar proposal, the honorable member for Birmingham rose in his place, and, straight after the words fell from the lips of Lord RUSSELL, asked when one of the members for Manchester died was the member who was to succeed him to represent the minority or the majority. Lord RUSSELL, though not deficient in ingenuity, found it impossible to give a satisfactory answer to the question. [Hear, hear.] Well, this is quite plain, that if we alter our representative system upon the principle of giving representation to minorities, and if that principle runs through the representation of the country, then in a long Parliament there will be this difficulty: A large number of seats are vacated in the course of a Parliament, 50, 60, or 80 seats; all those seats will be gradually taken up by the minority, and in the course of a Parliament we shall have the political color of the representation undergo a total change. I have only two or three words more to say, but these I could not honestly withhold. The borough franchise contained in the bill may be said to carry with it every promise of future durability. With respect to the entire abolition of the franchise, a sanguine man may hope that there is no disturbing cause which is likely, or, at all events, which is certain to revive discussion on the subject at a very early period. But I speak of what is no secret when I say that as regards the redistribution of seats the matter stands in a very different position. [Hear.] I ventured to give a very distinct expression of my own opinion on that subject when the bill was passing through the House of Commons. Since that time that opinion has received a very remarkable confirmation. I need not commit any breach of order in alluding to what took place elsewhere, but I may say that I have myself heard from the highest organ of the Government declare in his place that if in the next Session of Parliament any new and enlarged plan for the redistribution of seats should be proposed, the Government would be prepared by no means to say that the matter was settled last year, but to entertain it and give it a candid consideration. Now, perhaps, if we were acting merely from a party point of view, we might not be dissatisfied to see more morsels thrown into the cauldron of Parliamentary discontent; and if any of us were capable of allowing ourselves to be carried away by such feelings, we might rejoice to see fresh grounds created for feelings of discontent. But I am not actuated by either principles; I disclaim all such intentions. And I entreat the House not to give to these great and powerful communities, armed as they will be with such considerations of reason and justice, as have been pointed out, opportunity and provocation to enlist their great energies and powers and their faculties of acting on the public mind of the country—energies and powers which will be sharpened by a sense of wrong and of disparagement inflicted upon them, and of having been selected for that wrong and disparagement, do not let us give to them opportunity and provocation to lead on a new agitation, excited and heated as they cannot fail to be. Let us endeavor that this great work of legislation on which we are engaged shall be a sound and solid one; and with regard to those great constitutional experiments which have passed—I grant the ordeal of the brain of philosophers of no mean order, but which have not yet taken their place in the regions of practical life—let us urge the claim that we are entitled to make, that ample time, facility and opportunity shall be given to discuss them, to turn them round and round, and use every human instrument of being well assured of their character and tendency, before we give them a place in the Constitutional Law of England. [Cheers.]

After some further discussion, the Lords' amendment was adopted by a majority of sixty-four.

Postal Convention with the United States.

In the House of Lords, August 9, the Duke of Montrose, in laying on the table the Postal Convention just entered into between this country and the United States of America, said that by that convention the postage of letters between the two countries would be reduced from 1s. to 6d., and we should be able to reduce the postage to Canada from 1s. to 6d. He trusted it would lead in a short time to a daily communication. The United States Government had acted with the greatest cordiality, and had shown the utmost anxiety to facilitate the communication with the British colonies, especially with British Columbia. The noble Duke briefly explained the steps taken to carry out the recommendations of the Committee of the House of Commons, but stated that there was no idea of throwing the control of the postal service to India and the East into the hands of any foreign Government. The erroneous rumor that they were about to do so, arose from the suggestion of the Committee of the House of Commons that the Government should avail itself of the Messageries Impériales. That was done already as to subsidiary services. In accordance with the suggestion of the Committee of the House of Commons, the Government had given notice to determine the existing contracts as to the postal service to India and the East, in order that new contracts might be entered into.

The Shooting of Capt. Speer.

In the House of Commons, Aug. 9, Mr. CUBITT asked the Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs whether he had received from Her Majesty's Minister at Washington any account of the death of Capt. WILFRED SPEER, a British subject, who was alleged to have been murdered on the night of the 7th of June by a soldier of the United States Army on board a steamboat on the Missouri; and whether he could inform the House what steps Sir FREDERICK BRUCE is taking in the matter.

Lord STANLEY—The only account received at the Foreign Office of the death of Capt. SPEER is that forwarded by some member of his family in a letter dated the 11th of last month. A copy of that letter was sent to Sir F. BRUCE on the 19th, with instructions to him to report in answer, and to take any such steps as might be necessary. To that instruction no answer has yet been received at the Foreign Office, and, considering that the occurrence took place on board a steamboat in the Missouri, there has hardly yet been time for such an answer to be received.

The Abolition of Church Rates.

In the House of Lords, Aug. 8, the Earl of Morley presented petitions in favor of this bill, and then moved the second reading. He denied, in doing so, that he had any feelings of hostility toward the Church, or desired the abolition of Church and State. But those who did not agree with their convictions ought not to be called upon to maintain the State religion. There was no wish, no expectation that the government of the Church should be handed over to the Dissenters. He would urge upon their Lordships the great importance of settling the question, and thereby putting an end to agitation, which would be otherwise sure to spread.

Lord DELAMERE moved as an amendment that the bill be read a second time that day three months. By passing this bill their Lordships would be committing an act of manifest injustice. They would be giving way to a minority in a very objectionable manner, by abolishing a custom which had existed from time immemorial, and not providing something in substitution. It was an exceedingly unfair thing to say that because the Church had done so much voluntarily, therefore they must unconditionally sweep away all the legal benefits of the Church. He was fully aware of the difficulties existing in connection with conscientious Dissenters at present, and he would treat them with the greatest toleration and Christ

FOREIGN CORRESPONDENCE.

ENGLISH POLITICS.

The Reform Bill in the Statute Book—The Meddlesome Lords and their Signal Defeat—Disraeli on the Functions of the Tory Party—The Abyssinian Difficulty.

From Our Own Correspondent.

LONDON, Friday, Aug. 9, 1867.

Before this reaches you, the Reform Bill will, in all probability, have finally quitted its transitory life in Parliament, and will assume its full dignity in the statute book as the "Representation of the People Act." On Monday it came down again to the Lower House, the Lords having still further attempted to "set their mark" on it by the insertion of a clause providing that all elections should in future be conducted by means of voting papers, signed by the voter in presence of a magistrate, and opened and read in public by the returning officer on the day of election. Now, as this same voting-papers scheme had been previously rejected by the Commons in the most decisive manner, it is not easy to see how the upper House can have hoped to finally embody it in the bill. It is more probable that in their real anxiety to carry the principle of representation of minorities in the three-cornered constituencies, many of the Peers who supported the voting-papers clause did so merely in the hope that it would prove a kind of red rag to divert the fury of Mr. BRIGHT and his followers from their pet child. The raising of the lodger qualification turned out, I must mention, to have been a mere blunder of Lord MALMESBURY'S for his capacity for blundering endureth forever—in the absence of his chief, and no sooner had Lord DERBY sufficiently recovered from his attack of gout to attend the House than the original limit was restored without a division. The bill then was sent down to the Commons for their "consideration of the amendments made by the House of Lords." Mr. BRIGHT lost no time in sounding a war note at Birmingham against the amendments, one and all, and the crack of the whip was felt pretty sharply on both sides of the House. On Thursday Mr. DISRAELI announced his intentions with respect to the amendments in a somewhat clumsy and not very lucid manner. He praised the House of Lords for the conciliatory spirit they had shown, and timidly hoped their amendments would be adopted. He did not approve of the representation of minorities himself, but thought it would be better, in a spirit of compromise, to accept it. Mr. BRIGHT then attacked the new system with a vigor and eloquence he has rarely surpassed. Mr. GLADSTONE supported him, but the House had made up its mind, and, 253 to 204, the principle of minority representation has been introduced into the Constitution. All throughout the session, the progress made in this question has been most remarkable. Scarcely a year ago the idea was looked upon by the mass of the public as only the fancy of some "stray philosopher," and was only advocated in earnest by a mere handful of writers and pamphleteers outside the House. But when Tories like Lord CRANBORNE and Liberals like Mr. STUART MILL, Prof. FAWCETT and Mr. F. HUGHES were found side by side in its support, and when a journal so little likely to be led away by a philosopher's dream as the London *Times* joined earnestly in demanding it, the "five brute votes" of the stolid rank and file of each party began to be shaken in their allegiance to old traditions. It was a very remarkable fact that when the principle was first rejected in the Commons some weeks ago, the average age of the minority was some years less than that of the majority. This in itself gave its advocates great encouragement as a guarantee of future support, but few expected to see it carried in the face of the leader of the opposition, and with the reluctant support only of Mr. DISRAELI. This question settled, that of the voting papers took but little time. The dangers of fraud and forgery were too clearly brought to light that a decisive vote eliminated a provision so full of risk from the bill. According to the usual custom, a committee has been appointed to state the reasons of the majority for disagreeing with certain of the Lords' amendments, and as there will probably be no attempt made by the Peers to insist upon them, the magic words, *La Reine le veut*, will probably be heard before the end of next week. I may mention here that no election under the new order of things can take place until 1869, as the regulation of boundaries and the registration of the new voters cannot be concluded before then. All elections for casual vacancies, or a general election, should one take place, which is far from likely, would in the meantime be conducted under the existing system.

The Ministers, according to custom, dined with the Lord Mayor the other day, the week before the close of the session being generally chosen. Of course there was plenty of after-dinner eloquence and the most gushing interchange of compliments between host and guests, and the fraternization between the former and Lord DERBY in particular being quite touching. Mr. DISRAELI, however, rose superior to the vulgar influences of mere festive good fellowship, and combined a sounding war-whoop of defiance to all his foes with an epigrammatic essay on the functions of the Tory Party in the Constitution. He is a consummate master of "apt alliteration's artful aid," and described the language of the opponents of the Reform Bill as "shrieks and screams, subsiding into sobs and sighs." He sneered at the old Whigs as "hereditary coteries of exclusive nobles," and at the modern, more advanced Liberals as men who "sought to attract spurious force by professing cosmopolitan principles and by talking cosmopolitan jargon." Mr. DISRAELI may be allowed naturally enough a little exultation after his triumph, but Mr. BRIGHT'S caution to him a few weeks ago about "giving a horse too much corn" might have been repeated. Many of his hits the other day were quite of the old kind, quite reminding one of the manner in which he used to bait Sir ROBERT PEEL. The above specimen of alliteration can only be equaled by the conclusion of a speech by Sir HUGH—now Lord—CAIRNS a few years ago. If I recollect right, the final words were, "the cunning and catching device of a crafty and captious cabal."

Together with the advent of the August asteroids—how catching that alliteration is—a perfect shower of glittering honors has fallen upon the city magnates. Lord Mayor GABRIEL is about to add an earthly title to the archangelic associations which surround his name, and henceforth will be known among men as Sir THOMAS GABRIEL, Baronet. He feasted the Sultan—or Sooltán, as our Orientalists will have it—but then he starved 2,500 Belgians who too confidingly went hungry to lunch at the Mansion House. One Sultan, however, is of more value than many Belgians, so he gets his baronetcy.

Sir SYDNEY WATERLOW, who was one of the sheriffs, well deserves the honor of knighthood on higher grounds than those of mere hospitality. He is the head of a large firm of wholesale stationers, and has taken the greatest interest in all movements affecting the better housing of the poorer classes in London. Most of the buildings erected through Mr. PEABODY'S "more than princely" munificence are according to designs originally brought out and perfected under Sir SYDNEY'S untiring supervision. Sheriff LUCETT, who also is knighted, was honorably distinguished by his exertions during the Lancashire distress. It is said also that Alderman ROSE, who splendidly entertained the Prince and Princess of Wales after their marriage, is about at last to be rewarded by knighthood—a striking instance of bread cast on the waters being found after many days. Another case can scarcely be called a bestowal of honor where honor is due. Mr. E. W. WATKIN, for his services in Canadian railway matters, is to be knighted. Now this very man figures most prominently in the report of the Yarmouth bribery Commission as one of the most barefaced corrupters of that unlucky constituency—called by local wits "the 'erring borough," in allusion at once to the fish which furnishes it with its staple trade, and to the corruption which constitutes its main claim upon public notice. The uncorrupted majority are disfranchised for the sins of the bribable minority, while the very apostle of corruption in the borough finds another seat and receives honors from his Sovereign within a year of his exposure.

It really seems that we are on the verge of a "little war" with a savage named THEODORE, who calls himself Emperor of Abyssinia, and who refuses to give up an English Consul and others whom he has imprisoned and most barbarously treated, because, as he alleges, he got no answer to a letter he addressed to Queen VICTORIA. This letter is said to have contained an offer of marriage from his imperial but unpolished highness, so that one can, to a certain extent, understand his surprise at the non-arrival of a response. But we can scarcely allow enough for the wound felt by his impassive nature to submit to his keeping a score or more "cives Romani" in a dungeon. There are rumors that he has been dethroned by some of his equally barbarous rivals; but even if reliance can be placed on them, it does not follow that our unhappy countrymen will be released by their new captors without a display of force. Fortunately, the affair will be placed in the hands of our Indian authorities, who have had good training in similar expeditions. Our War Minister at home, Sir JOHN PAKINGTON, has only recently been "converted" from a First Lord of the Admiralty, and not enough has yet been seen of his performances for the public to feel any great confidence in his administrative capacity. It will be no easy task, even with the aid of rebellious natives, and with all our Indian experience, to get at this THEODORE, but every one seems agreed that the thing must be tried.

Talking of India, the disclosures about the famine in Orissa don't improve the aspect of the case. Whether it was any particular official, or that great Indian scapegoat, "the system," that was to blame, seems still a little open to doubt. Some of the stories are almost incredible. 750,000 people perished in a province within easy reach of properly organized relief. Fancy extreme Sabbatarianism cropping up, in India, of all places in the world, to such an extent that relief was positively suspended on Sundays, and the wretched native population had accordingly to celebrate, involuntarily, our day of rest, by starving double tides!

AFFAIRS IN ITALY.

The Financial Difficulty—Gen. Dumont at Rome—The Movements of Garibaldi—Hunting Brigands.

From Our Own Correspondent.

FLORENCE, Tuesday, Aug. 6, 1867.

The Italian Deputies have gone home, after finishing part of their work. The Senate is still in session, some of whose daily reunions are not prolonged beyond an hour. The most important project of law which it is called upon to ratify is that just voted by the Chamber for the liquidation of the ecclesiastical property. It will not probably be long delayed. When it is done, steps will at once be taken to put the law in force, so that the State may as soon as possible receive the benefit of this measure, upon which such great calculations have been made. Some of the journals deny that RATTAZZI will go to Paris, but he will probably go, for one cannot see how certain matters can be conveniently arranged without his presence near the head of the French State. The order has undoubtedly already been given. There are certainly duties enough which require his continued presence in Italy; for in addition to his office of Minister of the Interior and President of the King's Council, he is also at present acting Minister of Finance. RATTAZZI is a man of uncommon energy and readiness, and his multiplied cares seem to sit easy upon him. He has acquitted himself with great tact, and has gained credit in recent trials of strength, and his ability is not disputed even by his political enemies.

It is to be hoped that the crisis which has produced such frequent changes in the Ministry is past, and that Italy has fairly entered a period of her political history when less fickleness of policy will be manifested, and the energies of the best men of the nation will be directed to the sole object of developing the material strength and consolidating the liberties of the country, which, almost in spite of itself, has had so much good fortune thrust upon it.

A week ago a sensation was created by the conduct of the French Gen. DUMONT at Rome, in connection with the corps of French soldiers in the Pope's service, famous under the name of the Legion of the Antibes. But satisfactory explanations have been made by the French authorities, and just now all is calm again. Signor NIGRA, Italian Minister at the French Court, who came rushing down here from Paris, is now on his way back to his post. Whatever LOUIS NAPOLEON'S intentions may be with reference to Rome, and whether or not he intends to execute honestly his September treaty, certain it is that the present is not the moment when he can afford to offend Italy, and run the risk of breaking with this Government. This country has but little direct interest in French and German quarrels; but in case the Emperor of France is set upon hindering the accomplishment of the legitimate wishes of Italy, it would not be difficult to throw this country into the arms of Prussia—not, perhaps, to lend active assistance in case of war, but to give at least the weight of its sympathy and moral influence on the side of that Power.

Agitation is still going on here, and the cause of Rome is not given up, and will not be given up until the Pope's political power is taken away, and Rome also becomes a part of Italy. Let no friend of the hierarchy for a moment believe that the Roman question is settled, or can ever be settled, without the relinquishment by the Pontiff of his power as a secular prince. And let no friend of the Papacy, or of the Catholic Church in Italy, doubt that when the change aimed at is brought about, both the Church and its chief Bishop will be gainers in a moral sense in a degree not to be easily calculated. What PIUS IX. and those near him, who pretend to be his friends, need is a good deal more faith and patriotism, for these alone can save them.

GARIBALDI continues to keep the Government on a bright look-out as he musters his forces, no one knows where, on the border. A great flourish is made of war vessels on the coast and detachments of the army on the frontier to hinder the meditated invasion. Gen. KANZLER, the Pope's Captain at Civita Vecchia, is as busy as he can be strengthening that post, and the old fortress is furnished with new pieces of artillery and a larger supply of provisions, while the modern batteries are being put in a condition of efficiency. All this hardly seems necessary against GARIBALDI, who is without war vessels, and we are obliged to look for the reason somewhere else. It is alleged that the Pope has been informed that in case of a rising, the Italian Government will occupy Civita Vecchia, Viterbo and Frosinone, and thus cut off all communication with the outside. No new intervention will be permitted, but the Romans will be left to settle it as best they can with their clerical masters. The interpretation at present put upon the September treaty is, that while it keeps the Italian Government from interfering with the Pope's power, it makes no provision against revolution by the Romans themselves.

Meanwhile public meetings are held in Northern Italy, at which resolutions are passed encouraging GARIBALDI and the Romans to go ahead. It may be that events will take such a favorable turn as to open the door to the Romans. But it is felt to be of the greatest importance among discreet people that there should be no open violation of the Convention by those in authority, although the treaty unjustly keeps Italians from the enjoyment of their rights. If the conditions of the law are scrupulously kept by parties outside, and the Romans are successful in their rising, then French interference would be so shameless that it is doubtful if it would be attempted.

The hunt of brigands now goes on with an energy truly business-like, and the hope is held out that before long their bad practices will be abated in the south of the Peninsula. The newspapers give us frequent accounts of members of one or another band shot or captured, or of voluntary resignations, to save their heads. It may be long before this chronic plague is wholly cured, but it will be a great point gained if the southern provinces are made tolerably secure.

There is more elbow room in Florence now that the Deputies are gone, and carried with them many who hang about the capital during the Parliamentary session. The King is hunting in the mountains. The municipal authorities take advantage of the vacation to carry out the long-arranged plan to widen, with iron causeways, the fine old stone bridge near the New-York Hotel—certainly a very great improvement. The nearly dry bed of the Arno also enables the workmen to build the wall which carries the street along that part where the houses for centuries have overhung the river. ANGELICO.

AFFAIRS IN GERMANY.

Napoleon's Plans of Interference—The Schleswig Question and its Bearings—The Probabilities of a War.

From Our Own Correspondent.

BERLIN, Friday, Aug. 2.

The old Imperial Fox in Paris has a run of bad luck everywhere he goes. He finds all the henhouses well guarded, and if he show his nose only in their neighborhood to sniff the wind, all the watch-dogs of national liberty start up a row, and he has to hang his tail and assure them, paw on his honest heart, that he did not mean any harm, that he abhored chickens and detested sour Rhenish grapes. That French dispatch in reference to Schleswig, of which I wrote in my last letter, has not contributed to restore the Napoleonic prestige in Europe; on the contrary it has plainly shown to the world that there is a screw loose somewhere in Belle France. All the papers in France, England and Germany cover whole acres with print in reference to this unfortunate dispatch. I was perfectly right; things occurred as I guessed. The *dementis* given in the little and grand *Moniteur*—which German papers call "The Liar and His Son," (the title of a well-known comedy,)—are not only contemptible and useless, but even stupid, for in their hurry they had forgotten in Paris that there was sent a synopsis of that identical dispatch to the Courts of London, Vienna, St. Petersburgh and Copenhagen. We all know that a lie is the smallest coin current in European diplomacy, but since NAPOLEON I, and his bulletins, it has not been distributed so shamefully and lavishly as now. I will have to speak about some other *dementis* of the same character, but first wind up with this one. It is said that this dispatch, which is dated July 14, was sent with the knowledge and acquiescence of England and Russia. From England we know that it is in favor of Danish pretensions, but as to Russia, there I have my doubts, and, on the contrary, can assure you that the Cabinet of St. Petersburgh has not the slightest intention to push the Cabinet of Berlin into any diplomatic ways which have not been traced beforehand here, confidentially. The *dementis* published in the *Moniteur* do not convince any one, but they show that France is not yet preprared for a conflict, but at the same time they draw out the feeling of the people in Germany and France, and place us in a position to judge whether we may expect war or peace. A speech which M. DUPIN made in the French Senate—although we will not attribute too much importance to the expectorations of that loyal Senator—shows what ails France in reference to Prussia. You will get a synopsis of that speech from Paris, and I therefore will only report the effect it produced here. It is believed that it will make the Danes more exacting and obstinate, but Prussia will not fail to show them soon how much Prussia is influenced by the interference of France and such speeches in the French Senate. Count BISMARCK is leaving, today, his estate at Varzin, and after having seen the King in Ems, he will return here to constitute the council of the North German Confederation, and to answer that note sent from Copenhagen here. As to France, it will be explained to the Imperial Court in Paris, of course in the proper diplomatic style, that it has no business at all to interfere in that Schleswig affair, although France had something to do with that insertion of Article V. of the Peace of Prague. Schleswig was acquired by Prussia not in the manner of LOUIS XIV., but in consequence of an honest war provoked by the systematic oppression of the Germans in the Duchies of the Elbe. It is true, Prussia has promised to Austria to cede the population of the Northern districts of Schleswig to Denmark if they should by a free vote express such a desire; but she has not the intention of delivering over Germans, for whose deliverance German blood has been shed, to the tender mercies of Danish discretion and fanaticism; even if France should urge such a demand. It is also true that Prussia has accepted the decision of an European Congress in the Luxemburg affair; but Luxemburg was no Prussian city, and the question, therefore, more international than national; Schleswig on the contrary is a Prussian province, and neither a London nor a Paris conference had to dispose of it. It had almost the appearance, after what Mr. DUPIN said, that it was intended to institute a permanent conference, France in the chair, *for the surveillance of the behavior of Prussia*. After the Schleswig question should be disposed of, then the German Zollverein Parliament, or perhaps the Rhenish frontiers, &c., might be thought proper objects. As Prussia has no intention to interfere with the internal arrangement of other nations she will repel all interference in her affairs. Here cannot be the question about complying; here the "*principiis obst!*" must guide the actions of Prussia. This opinion is expressed in the *New-Prussian Gazette*, which is considered as at least semi-official, and therefore of particular significance. The other German papers express themselves more vehemently, and are very anxious that the answer of Prussia may be energetic enough. Count VON DER GOLTZ, the Prussian Minister in Paris, is expected here on leave of absence, and is said to take with him the most favorable impressions, which, it is hoped, will change the warlike tone of the German papers. As the Germans look with suspicion on the preparations of France, the French are made uneasy by those of Prussia. They say by the garrisoning of Rastadt and Landau, the French frontier is threatened. Rastadt was always provided with a garrison, and Landau is to be dismantled; some works have already been destroyed, and the citizens of that fortress have petitioned the Bavarian Government that it might be made altogether an open city, which would be most favorable for manufacturing and commerce. The assurances in the *Moniteur* are not very assuring, but that Prussia has no intention of making preparations out of the usual way may be derived from the fact that everywhere the reserves are going home. The King is expected in Ragatz, (Canton St. Gallen,) in Switzerland, on the 6th inst., and will stay away eighteen days. On his way home he will visit Hohenzollern, and it is said that there will be a meeting of German Princes; but what Princes I did not hear. That does not look as if the King expected war immediately. However the French are suspicious, and the *Press* tells us that a new dispatch is to be sent to Berlin, asking for explanations why the contingent of Electoral Hesse—25,000 men!—was called in now, instead of 1868. That's a match to the 20,000 square miles of little Waldeck. The contingent in question is about 2,500 men.

I am pretty sure that NAPOLEON would like a war now, if he were prepared or were sure of some allies; but it seems that nobody has confidence in him. He does all he can, and has given the young King of Bavaria the grand cordon of the Legion of Honor; but I doubt whether that would induce that German Prince to turn his hand against Germany. The times when Rhinebunds were possible are passed, I hope. He will also try his luck once more with the Emperor of Austria, and is going to visit him in Salzburg on the — inst. After that, the Emperor will return the visit in Paris. FRANCIS JOSEPH and the King of Bavaria will meet in Ischl. There was a report in Stuttgart (Wurtemberg) of an attempt against the life of the King of Prussia. There is no truth in it. The King seems to be in a very good humor. He arrived in Wiesbaden the 30th of July, in the afternoon, and entered the city on horseback. He was received by the customary virgins in white, haranguing him in verses, handing him a laurel crown, &c. The King was well pleased, and answered very graciously—the laurel crown he hung at his sword-hilt.

People in Nassau, Hanover and Electoral Hesse, would be still more satisfied than they are with the change of things, if all the other members of the Prussian Cabinet were men like BISMARCK and KOON, or if BISMARCK had some authority to direct their measures. He has almost ruined his health, not in working his great plan, but in preparing the train for it and getting rid of blockhead colleagues, who "could not see it."

The Hanoverian confidence-men are in session now under the Presidency of the Secretary of the Interior. They discuss internal arrangements that have, for the most part at least, no interest for us. The City of Altoona declared for its recession to the German Zollverein.

The King has now decided on the sea flags for the ships of the North German Confederation. A white, oblong rectangle is divided into four equal parts by a black cross, surrounded by a narrow black line. The arms of the cross meet in the middle in a white medallion with the Prussian eagle. Three of the fields are left white, but that in the left corner is covered with horizontal stripes—black, white and red, (the colors of the North German Confederation,) and over them is painted the figure of the Prussian Order of the Iron Cross. There will meet here, in Berlin, a commission of naval officers to devise whether the navy of the North German Confederation will join in the system of sea-signals agreed on between England and France. The North German Confederation has a population of 29,248,273 inhabitants, on 7,542 geographical square miles. Its army, in peace, amounts to 320,000 men; in war, to 800,000; its mercantile navy to 4,641 ships, of 1,323,786 tonnage. Prussia has 84 war vessels, with 484 guns; Austria 91, with 1,004 guns. The army of the North German Confederation in war is just as strong as that of France in war.

Austria is at the present moment excited by the visit of the Sultan, who has left Vienna, however, and arrived on the 31st of July in Pesth. The Turkish flag will wave over the Hopburg in Spa, where he will pass his day. The English Minister will come from Constantinople to compliment the Sultan on his return. The poor sick man will be glad to return to the stillness of his harem. I am tired of reading of all these festivities, and he must be tired of them also. Besides, they have been pestering him everywhere, although FUAD PASHA has the worst of it. In Paris the poor man was labored by Marquis DE MOUSTIER. He had to consent to a Commission of Europeans to investigate the state of things in Crete, and NAPOLEON rubbed his hands that at last something had been accomplished; but the Sultan went to England and got other ideas. Taking care not to touch Paris again, the Sultan could not be worked on; that was left to Baron BEUST, who had several meetings with FUAD PASHA, of which the result has not yet transpired. The difficulty is whether, as France and Austria will have it, a Commission of Europeans, accompanied by Turks, or as the Sultan will, a Commission of Turks, accompanied by Europeans, is to investigate into the state of things on that island. There came news of a great Turkish victory to Vienna—that the rebellion was at an end; but the Christian Consuls kept silent, and the news would not be swallowed in Vienna, where they had others that spoke of abominable cruelties committed by the Turks against the Christians in the interior; that the Turks had been repelled again and driven back to Canea. I suppose we will soon hear what is true of it. It was said that the Sultan had consented to cede Crete to Greece; but, on the contrary, he had, in Paris, positively refused to do such a thing. There have been other things treated of in Paris and London with FUAD PASHA, about guaranteeing the integrity of the Turkish Empire, which have called forth from Prussia and Vienna some inquiries, but I have no space to speak about it.

The Secretary of Finance, M. BERNE, has assured the Austrian House of Deputies before adjourning—no, interrupting its session—that his financial measures would be energetic and effectual, but that they would not damage the credit of the State, and alter nothing in the obligations of the same toward its creditors. That is very well said, but rather difficult to accomplish under Austrian circumstances. The right of associations and meetings passed the House after a fight about the words "*Staats gefaehrlich*" (dangerous to the State,) which was disputed away in one paragraph, but smuggled into another. The figure of the budget has not been fixed yet, and it might be rather difficult to come to an end, as M. BERNE lets hope; for there has been discovered by some curious deputy that the Secretary has forgotten to mention a trifle of 500,000,000 florins which ought to be there, but are nowhere. These millions are "*Pupillengeldis*" which were turned over to the Government when the patrimonial courts were abolished, who formerly had care of them. The money was spent, and the current receipts generally covered the current demands; for the rest the State was good—but if that State should get bankrupt! There is still hope that an arrangement may be made with the Hungarians: but these are proverbially tough in money matters, and Hungarian debtors are the horror of Austrian creditors. The Hungarians would take one-third of the debt, if Croatia, Slavonia and Dalmatia were included; but that is not so easily done, for Croatia claims a separate constitution, and the same is it with half a dozen of peoples in this salad of nationalities called the Austrian Empire. Hungary will at least claim Dalmatia as belonging to the crown of St. Stephen, and will drive a hard bargain with Austria. In the important Concordat question the Hungarians are also not on the side of the Government, but sustain the measures of the Chamber of Deputies. As soon as the Hungarian Congress assembles again decided steps against the Concordat will be taken. The Queen of the Belgians has succeeded in taking away from Miramar the poor widow of MAXIMILIAN. She has arrived in Terveuren. Doctors are of the opinion that she has taken a subtle poison, producing that state of suffering with which she is afflicted.

KINGS COUNTY POLITICS.

The congenial retreats of Bath and Coney Island are largely availed of, in the hot Summer nights, by that peculiar class of wise men known and recognized in the City of Churches as Kings County Politicians. Probably at no previous time have the dog-days of Summer been so oppressed with mere political excitement as are those of 1867. It would seem that August is rather early for the canvassing of candidates upon whose merits and popularity there can be no decision until November, and ordinarily such would be the fact. This year, however, there are many offices of importance to be filled, and the under-workers are in dead earnest about their bargains, arrangements and "little places." It is no unusual matter, in Brooklyn, for the Republicans to feel that their contest is a hopeless one; that the Democracy are sure to win, and that their candidates are put up simply to be knocked down. This, however, is not the case at the present time. The Republicans see a gleam of light in the future, and with great courage anticipate a glorious victory.

SENATORS.

The County of Kings is at present represented in the Senate by HENRY R. PIERSON, Republican, and HENRY C. MURPHY, Democrat. Mr. PIERSON is a lawyer, the President of the Brooklyn City Railroad Company, a prominent public-spirited citizen, quite popular with the citizens generally, but a little out of favor with some of the wire-pullers. He represents the Second District, formerly represented by Hon. DEMAS STRONG, and is a candidate for renomination.

The district represented by Senator PIERSON did comprise the First, Second, Third, Fourth, Fifth, Seventh, Eleventh, Thirteenth, Nineteenth and Twentieth Wards of the City of Brooklyn, with population, in 1865, of 127,140. At the last election Gen. PRATT was the Democratic candidate, receiving 8,748 votes against 9,845 cast for Mr. PIERSON. By the new apportionment the district has been entirely changed, so that what was the Second is almost all in the Third District, the precise allotment for the Second being the Sixth, Eighth, Ninth, Tenth, Twelfth, Fourteenth, Sixteenth, Seventeenth and Eighteenth Wards of Brooklyn, and the country towns of Kings County, with a population of 172,233. The importance attaching to the Senatorial position in Kings County can not well be overestimated, and the eagerness evinced by the several cliques of both parties to secure it in their respective interests is significant. It will be borne in mind that Mr. PIERSON now represents the Second District, but in the coming contest it is for

THE THIRD DISTRICT

that he will stand—if he can. With the regular party leaders, such as ex-Marshall CAMPBELL, ex-Senator DEMAS STRONG, SAML. T. MADDOX, *et id omne genus*, Mr. PIERSON is undeniably the candidate; first, because it is believed he can be reélected, and, second, because the dissafected Democrats find it easier to swallow PIERSON than any other man. The enthusiastic eulogisers of the Eastern District think it quite time that it should furnish the candidate, and the friends of Senator STRONG urge him for the nomination, as do the friends of Mr. MADDOX. By the rule of rotation it is conceded that it is the turn of the Eastern District to furnish the Senator, but as Senator STRONG declines peremptorily to entertain the idea, it is believed that Senator PIERSON will be awarded the nomination. This will be regarded a triumph of the railroad and ferry interest, and of the Conservatives as opposed to the "Scrap-book Party of young gentlemen who favored at the last canvass the claims of GRISWOLD—since departed to the Holy Land with Capt. DUNCAN and Mark Twain. We have heard also the names of JOHN OAKEY, member of Assembly, and CYRUS P. SMITH, of the Union Ferry Company, mentioned in this connection. Mr. SMITH, however, is not a candidate.

The Democracy are embarrassed with candidates. Like the Republicans they are not led by their party newspaper, but go into numberless preliminary contests, where the relative strength of the several precandidates are determined. Gen. PRATT'S friends claim that he has a traditional right to the nomination, on the ground that he was defeated by Mr. PIERSON at the last election through combinations that were not entirely square. They also think that the General's rejection by the Senate of the United States, before which body his name appeared as Collector of the Third Revenue District, was an insult and an indignity that deserves popular rebuke, and they consider that his election to the New-York Senate would be such in effect. Gen. PRATT'S war record is excellent. His brief tenure of the Collection office was not in all respects satisfactory to the Government, and his retention of BOWEN'S Deputy (TAPPAN) hurt him with all parties. Still he is probably the strongest candidate the Democrats have.

Mr. EDMUND DRIGGS is mentioned as a possible candidate, and the Republicans pray that such may be the fact. Mr. DRIGGS is a good man, an estimable citizen, and all that, but he is weak as a candidate, and very naturally the unterrified don't see it to be their interest to nominate a man who cannot do them justice in the race.

The probabilities are that the tickets will stand thus: Republican, HENRY R. PIERSON; Democratic, CALVIN E. PRATT.

THE SECOND DISTRICT

according to the new allotment comprises very much the ground in the old Third. Before; it comprised the First, Second, Third, Fourth, Fifth, Seventh, Eleventh, Thirteenth, Nineteenth and Twentieth Wards of the city, but now, the Sixth, Eighth, Ninth, Tenth, Twelfth, Fourteenth, Sixteenth, Seventeenth and Eighteenth Wards of Brooklyn and the county towns of Kings County. For this the prominent Republican candidates are Gen. PHILIP S. CROOKE and JOHN OAKEY, of the Assembly. We are not aware that either of the parties named covet the honor of leading the van of a forlorn hope, but we are informed that it is thought that Gen. CROOKE might make a better run than he did at the last election, and in event of a split in the Democratic ranks, would be sure of success. The last vote stood, MURPHY 11,047; CROOKE, 9,269.

HENRY C. MURPHY is undoubtedly the choice of the Democratic ranks. If the people were to make the nominations, he would be returned without a word of disapproval. His long and honorable record defies assault, and the leaders confidently count on his nomination and election.

It is understood, however, that Ex-Mayor KALBFLEISCH is ambitious for his son, Alderman FRED KALBFLEISCH, a very excellent man and valuable citizen. If Mr. KALBFLEISCH is nominated by the Democracy, the success of Gen. CROOKE would be assured. The probabilities are that the tickets will read: Republican, PHILLIP S. CROOKE; Democrat, HENRY C. MURPHY.

The office of

MAYOR OF BROOKLYN

is generally regarded as a political stepping-stone to the Capitol at Washington, and also as a pleasant place of dignified retirement for wealthy men of quiet habits. Hence such men as HENRY C. MURPHY and MARTIN KALBFLEISCH, both Mayor, then Congressman, get it, or such men as GEORGE HALL and SAMUEL BOOTH. The present Mayor succeeded Col. A. M. WOOD, and has made a perfectly reliable and thoroughly satisfactory officer. He is universally esteemed for his honesty, integrity, impartiality and general economy. Some little time ago, when it was understood that Mayor BOOTH did not care for a reélection, the Republicans cast about for a fitting successor. Ex-Senator DEMAS STRONG, Alderman ARCHIBALD M. BLISS, Ex-Marshall CAMPBELL, Alderman JOHN CASHOW, Sim. CHITTENDEN and JOSEPH REEVES were severally thought of by parties of more or less influence, but with the exception of Messrs. STRONG and BLISS there have been none talked of with seriousness. Neither Mr. CAMPBELL nor Mr. CASHOW could afford to take the position and give up their control of the machinery, and the other two could not be elected. Mr. STRONG declines, and Mr. BLISS is presented, not only as an available candidate, but as a citizen of public spirit, a man of integrity, an official who has faithfully performed his duty and given general satisfaction. It looks now as though he would be nominated, although recently it is understood that Mayor BOOTH would not strenuously oppose his own nomination. Either would do well—either can win under proper training.

The Democratic aspirants for the candidacy are numerous. Ex-Mayor KALBFLEISCH is the leading applicant, and it is stated that he is prepared to "go in" heavily for the coveted honor. He is reported as having largely interested himself in a previously decaying newspaper, and as making extensive preparations for a vigorous canvass. Mr. KALBFLEISCH is personally very unpopular, and as a candidate would be weak, but he made a good Mayor, and his economical ideas would not be unpalatable to the taxpayers of the city.

Mr. JOHN D. HUNTER, who defeated Sim. CHITTENDEN at the last Congressional contest, is also spoken of in this connection. Mr. HUNTER has already shown that he can run well, but he would find it much more difficult to defeat a popular candidate like BLISS or BOOTH than such a one as CHITTENDEN.

Ex-Alderman D. D. WHITNEY is the only Democratic candidate of whom the Republicans have the least fear. He is a quiet, undemonstrative man of strength, who can poll more votes than either KALBFLEISCH or HUNTER. His chances are excellent for the nomination, and are quite even for election.

So many slates have been carefully prepared and entirely smashed within the past fortnight that it would be absurd to prophesy as if from unvarying data, but at present the political *status* is precisely as given herewith.

LAKE GEORGE.

Traveling by Stage—Historical Localities—Routes of the Pleasure Seekers.

Correspondence of the New-York Times.

FORT WILLIAM HENRY HOTEL, LAKE GEORGE, August, 1867.

Loud complaints come this season from many of the "watering places," that their attractions are unappreciated, and that the golden tide which year after year has poured wealth into the coffers of the publicans has this year flowed with but a sluggish and niggardly current. Of the places which were made popular by the decree of fashion alone, this is probably true enough. It was but natural that the fickle goddess, the breath of whose nostrils gave them their sole importance, should abandon them as suddenly as she took them up.

But there is another class of Summer resorts which woo the tourist by attractions of a very different order, and whose popularity with all lovers of natural beauty is perennial. Lake George, with its placid and picturesque scenery, and its rich treasury of historical incidents, dating back to the most romantic era of our nation, is the shrine to which thousands of pilgrims annually tend; and so vivid is the impression made by its exquisite beauty that none view it for the first time without delight or leave it without regret.

There are two routes by which travelers from the South approach the lake. One is by the Rensselaer and Saratoga Railroad to Moreau Station, about half way between Saratoga and Whitehall. At Moreau you find stage-coaches for the lake awaiting you. And here let me say a word for these coaches. They are light and elegant, but strong, each drawn by four fine horses; and as there is always a reserve of coaches and horses, there is never any crowding or scrambling for places. Stage-coach traveling, as a general thing, is among the things of the past, but I can hardly believe that in its best days it was better managed than it is on this Lake George line. Then the road is just long enough—about 15 miles. It passes through a beautiful country, diversified by forests and hills, and intersected by mountain torrents, while the mountain air is inspiration to one who has just escaped from his desk in the City. Arrived at the lake, if it be your first visit, you are surprised at the size of the hotel. Extending along the bluff, at the southern edge of the lake, for nearly five hundred feet, against a background of dense green forest and covering the ground which has been hallowed by the dread realities of the great massacre and the fictitious creations of COOPER'S genius, it forms a striking feature in the landscape. In front and for miles to the north stretch the silver waters of the lake, with their fringe of mountain and "forest primeval." The beauty of the lake cannot be described, at least not in sober prose; those who are most fully penetrated by its spirit generally look on in silence, or spend the hours roaming through the forest paths which wind along its banks. A pretty little steamer, the *Minnehaha*, carries the traveler northward and down the lake to Ticonderoga, giving him an opportunity to view the beauties of the lake from a thousand points. Arriving at Ticonderoga, you are taken in coaches about five miles across to Lake Champlain, passing through the ruins of the old fort. Here a steamboat meets you and conveys you either northward to Canada, or southward to Whitehall and thence to Saratoga. The other route merely reverses this one, and leads to Whitehall and down Lake Champlain to Ticonderoga, and thence across to Lake George and up the lake to the fort.

There has been no lack of visitors here this Summer. Many families from Albany and Troy make a practice of spending the Summer months here, and thus a social circle is formed, less changing than that of most Summer resorts. As the fishing in the lake and the adjacent streams is unsurpassed, there are always followers of the gentle craft who will guide you with infallible instinct to the haunts of the brook trout or the pickerel; and Mr. GALE, your host, who has the supreme art of keeping a first-class hotel, and yet, always being at leisure, will show you all the points of interest in the neighborhood and give you their history with a lucidity and minuteness of detail which throw the guide-book quite into the shade.

The season here always lasts till late in September, many artists, literary men and votaries of wood-craft choosing that month to make the shores of the lake their haunt.

RIFLE DRILL.

The Necessity of Rifle Practice for Our Soldiers.

NEW-YORK, Monday, Aug. 19, 1867.

To the Editor of the New-York Times:

In your column of "Minor Topics," in this morning's TIMES, a paragraph is devoted to remarks upon the inefficiency of fifty-two men, who, with a breech-loader apiece, were unable to hit one of the Indians who attacked them and captured their horses, and this notwithstanding the enemy did not deign to fire upon them. You also made allusion to the practice made by some of the volunteers at Wimbledon as a contrast. Now, I have no doubt the American soldiers and civilians to whom your paragraph refers are as brave as any men, anywhere, but, as you very judiciously suggest, they want target practice. Allow me to say that ever so much practice—mere shooting—will do little or no good. Apart from the excellence of the weapons used by the volunteers of Britain (and as good are known to be on hand in this country—the Maynard rifle, for instance, makes, I am told, very good work,) "judging distance" and "position drill" are the true causes of the admirable shooting made at Wimbledon. The former, you will understand, is an imperative necessity to a rifleman in the field, and is a distinct and important feature in the annual training of British regiments, which are put in camp specially for the purpose for periods of fourteen days, each section of a company. Let any one go out with a rifle who is not a pretty accurate judge of distance, and ten to one an individual with a smooth bore would be more effective, simply because the sights of the rifle require to be nicely adjusted, or the bullets will go wide of the mark. Many a man would put his "sight" up for 600 yards, when the object might happen to be 500 or 700 yards off, and, as a matter of course, the mark would be untouched. I presume that the 52 men at Fort Harker only "guessed" the distance, and guessed wrong.

Position drill is necessary to create steadiness of aim and confidence in the shooter, without which only one man in one hundred can be a good shot.

As I am acquainted with the system pursued in the British army, it would give me pleasure to impart it to any officers or non-commissioned officers of the American army, volunteers or militia, if no one else competent to do it is willing to undertake it, and it is deemed of sufficient importance to accept my offer—gratuitously, of course.

Pardon my troubling you at such length. I think the subject very important—of national consequence—and so I hope my motive will plead my excuse, and remain, RIFLE.

**The War on the Plains—The Indian Side of the Story

belt of foul places between the Ninth and Tenth avenues, in the Sixteenth, Twentieth and Twenty-second Wards.

Brooklyn has unhealthy localities which are well described as follows by the observing Deputy Registrar, Dr. STILES, in a note upon his records for the week:

"The excess of mortality belongs mainly to the Ninth, Twelfth and Sixteenth Wards. The Ninth Ward has had the reputation of salubrity until the past few weeks. The mortality (27) during the past week has three centres, first, around the sunken lots along Flushing-avenue, where there were seven deaths. The region where these deaths occurred will soon be drained by connection with the sewer now being laid along Flushing-avenue; second, in the vicinity of the Prospect Park, where there were twelve deaths; and third, among the sunken lots near East New-York, where there were six deaths. The Twelfth and Sixteenth Wards fulfill our anticipations of evil respecting them."

Not the sanitary offices only, but every citizen must share the responsibility of preventing the enemies of life from gaining ascendency, especially among the dependent classes of population in these cities. In a season like this, and while cholera lurks in our country, there should be no relaxation of vigilance in searching out the fields which that pestilence would elect among us. We beg leave here to quote a note just received from the distinguished Registrar General of England concerning the duty of the hour:

"Towns neglecting their sanitary defences, and exposed to diarrhœa, are in danger of falling the victims of some local eruption of cholera, which, it must be borne in mind, is still prevalent as an epidemic in Europe."

CAUSES OF DEATH.

	New-York.	Brooklyn.
Zymotic infections	113	144
Of which measles caused	13	1
Of which Scarlatina caused	12	11
Of which Typhus fever caused	3	4
Of which Typhoid fever caused	6	1
Of which Dysentery caused	22	12
Of which Diarrhœa caused	70	14
Of which Cholera (Asiatic) caused	4	—
Of which Cholera infantum caused	159	85
Of which Cholera morbus caused	4	—
Constitutional diseases	121	63
Of which the Tubercular diseases caused	119	55
Local diseases	140	85
Of which diseases of the nervous system	64	29
Of which diseases of the circulatory system	12	3
Of which inflammatory diseases of the respiratory system	27	7
Of which diseases of the digestive system	38	13
Of which diseases of the urinary system	8	4
Developmental diseases	29	23
Deaths by violence	22	4
Of which by accident and negligence there were	21	3
Of which by execution there was	1	—
Cause not specified or ill-defined	—	7
Mortality for the week	640	289

RECAPITULATION OF AGES, SEXES AND NATIVITIES.

NEW-YORK.		BROOKLYN.	
Men	95	Men	28
Women	95	Women	35
Boys	267	Boys	111
Girls	193	Girls	115
Total	640	Total	290

NATIVITIES.

Australia	1	British America	8
British America	2	England	7
England	8	France	2
France	6	Germany	13
Germany	51	Ireland	24
Ireland	88	Scotland	1
Scotland	5	United States	249
Switzerland	1		
United States	477	Total	290
West Indies	1		
Total	640		

Distillers Preparing for Work.

There are doubtless many people in our midst who are ignorant of the fact that during the Summer months the quantity of spirits manufactured by distillers is comparatively very light. This Summer it has been unusually so, not only on account of the prevailing practice, but because of the increased vigilance on the part of the internal revenue officers to detect and prevent frauds on the Government. Prior to the organization of the Metropolitan Revenue Board, nearly all the distilleries in this City and Brooklyn were run to their full capacity, and, as a consequence, the market was amply supplied with spirits. Indeed, so abundant was the quantity that buyers were solicited at the low price of $1 10 per gallon. Immediately on the establishment of the Board a very perceptible effect was observed on the market. In accordance with the law many distilleries were closed altogether, and the price of the crude spirits rose rapidly to $1 80, $1 90 and $2 and over per gallon. These high prices continue to prevail, and the impression exists that they will suffer no material abatement so long as the present system of collecting the revenue remains in force. As the cold season approaches the demand for spirits is increased. Hence a large number of the distilleries that have been idle for several weeks past are now being put in running order by their proprietors. Although the chances for evading the payment of the tax are considerably less than those of last season, yet it can hardly be doubted that an immense quantity of whisky will find its way to the market free of tax. The distillers appear by no means to be disheartened at the prospects before them. The advance in prices is an incentive to them to run their stills, and should they not succeed in defrauding the Government to the extent they may anticipate, it is pretty certain they will not be the heaviest losers, even if they should pay the tax on nearly every barrel of whisky manufactured. It may be set down as a rule that so long as fortunes are to be made out of whisky, both by manufacturers and dishonest revenue officers, the business of supplying the market will go on with undiminished vigor.

POLICE COURTS.

THE TOMBS—KELLY, JUSTICE.

A NEGRO BURGLAR ARRESTED.

About 2 o'clock on Monday morning a negro waiter, giving the name of WILLIAM FELLS made a forcible entry in the stable owned by Mr. JOHN STACOM, of the Councilmanic Board, at No. 104 Park-street. As the burglar failed to find any plunder, he proceeded to enter the adjoining dwelling, occupied by Mr. STACOM's groom, JOHN FRANCIS. The thief was detected by the occupant while forcing in one of the room doors, but he failed to arrest FELLS, in consequence of the latter escaping by the route whence he came. The following evening FRANCIS was suddenly accosted by FELLS, who loudly threatened him for his daring to attempt to arrest a burglar in the ex ercise of his profession. Some words passed between the two, when FELLS drew a large knife, and also threatened FRANCIS with a stone. Before he could do any mischief, Roundsman MCDONNELL, of the Sixth Precinct, turned the corner, and so far unsettled the mind of the negro burglar that he ran off, closely pursued by the officer. After a short chase the fugitive endeavored to elude his pursuer by darting through an alley at No. 21 Mulberry-street, and subsequently gained the roof of a low building in rear of No. 19. The roundsman followed FELLS closely and had nearly overtaken him on the roof, when the fellow made another desperate but futile effort to escape by leaping into the yard, a distance of 18 feet. Before he could rise to his feet the officer had thrown himself upon his prostrate form, when a desperate struggle ensued, the burglar only surrendering after receiving a severe clubbing at the hands of his opponent. The knife was picked up afterward, and the prisoner safely locked up in the Franklin-street Station-house. On being arraigned before the magistrate yesterday morning, JOHN FRANCIS made a complaint against him for attempted burglary. The magistrate fully committed him for trial. FELLS is a native of Virginia and 20 years of age.

FEMININE AFFRAY.

ANN KILBRIDE and ELLEN FARRELL, who occupy apartments in the tenement-house No. 37 Worth-street, quarrelled yesterday morning about some minor matter. ANN had been drinking, and entered ELLEN's room, where she broke the furniture and smashed the crockery, rendering the owner so desperate that she seized a piece of wood and struck ANN a blow on the back of the head, causing the blood to flow in a frightful manner, completely saturating her dress. The assailant was arrested by Officer WHALEN of the Fifth Precinct, and arraigned before the magistrate to answer the charge of felonious assault. The complainant nearly ruined her case by her conduct while in Court. Although the prisoner appeared to be really the injured party, the magistrate could not do otherwise than commit her, in default of $300 bail, for her future good behavior. She had her infant child in her arms, and followed the officer to the cells in a flood of tears.

ATTEMPTED STREET ROBBERY.

Yesterday afternoon, about 2 o'clock, Mr. J. P. SWAIN, a resident of Brownsville, N. Y., was standing on the corner of Park-row and Beekman-street, and while so engaged was suddenly jostled and accosted by WM. DACY, who pretended either intoxication or insanity. Before Mr. SWAIN could extricate himself from the troublesome fellow and his incoherent excuses, he felt a hand in his pocket, where he had deposited $300 in United States Treasury notes. Finding that DACY had considerable method in his madness, the intended victim called in the assistance of Officer MURRAY, of the Second Precinct, who immediately secured the accused before the magistrate. A brief examination followed, resulting in the complaint of attempted larceny being thrown out, and the prisoner being committed to the Island as a disorderly person for six months. As he was going down stairs to a cell he impudently offered to bet the magistrate that he would regain his liberty in less than a month.

THE ROYAL INSURANCE BOND ROBBERY.

In consequence of the absence of the counsel for DAN NOBLE, who is accused by the Royal Life Insurance Company's agent of the larceny of $300,000 worth of bonds from their office in Wall-street, on the 15th of December, 1866, Justice HOGAN yesterday adjourned the examination in the case should be postponed until Tuesday next, the 27th inst., at 9:30 A. M.

JEFFERSON MARKET—LEDWITH, JUSTICE.

AN OLD TRICK AGAIN FAILS.

Yesterday THOMAS SULLIVAN and CATHARINE WELSH entered the store of CASPAR JACOBS, No. 283 Third-avenue, and being greatly in need of sundry articles, proceeded to look over a large portion of his stock. Being fastidious in taste, they found—at least so they said—nothing to suit them, and were about to leave the store when JACOBS saw that the woman had found two cassimere coats, of the value of $20, that she had a liking for—so strong, in fact, that she was carrying them away without going through the formality of paying for them. In the police vernacular this circumstance constituted shoplifting, and the pair of customers were committed for trial at the Special Sessions.

ESSEX MARKET—SHANDLEY, JUSTICE.

UNUSUAL ADROITNESS.

On the 20th of July last, two women, named KATE LEAHY and MARY CHRISTIE, entered the store No. 591 Broadway and asked of the clerk, Miss MOLLIE RAFELD, to look at some jewelry. They were shown some sets of jet, and professed themselves not pleased, and were about to leave, when Miss RAFELD missed a set of earrings and a pin valued at $11, and accused them of taking the articles. The two women indignantly denied the charge, and professed their readiness to be searched. They were taken at their word and being thoroughly searched in a private room, and no trace found of the missing jewelry, they were allowed to depart. On Monday evening last Miss RAFELD saw the same two women walking in the Bowery, and followed them to a photographic gallery, where, seeing the lost earrings pendant from the ears of KATE LEAHY, she called Officer O'CONNOR, of the Tenth Precinct, and had them arrested. One of them dropped the stolen property on the mat in the gallery, where it was found, and the woman KATE saying that MARY CHRISTIE had stolen the jewelry and given it to her, they were both held for trial at the Special Sessions.

BAD FOR PERRY.

Officer LONG, of the Tenth Precinct, seeing WILLIAM PERRY in Broome-street, in company with another man, acting in a suspicious manner, kept watch of them. He followed them into Allen-street, when PERRY entered the house No. 82, the other man watching outside. The officer coming up, the watcher ran off, and PERRY attempted to do the same, but was intercepted by the officer before he could leave the house. As he started to run he dropped a "jimmy" upon the stairs, but was seen to do so by BERTHA BALTHUS, an inmate of the house. This circumstance was bad for PERRY, as he was held to have entered the house with burglar's tools in his possession, and he was committed for trial.

YORKVILLE COURT—ALDERMAN MCBRIEN,

ACTING JUSTICE.

ROBBERY.

On Monday evening GEORGE SHAW, temporarily in the City, stopping at No. 555 West Twenty-sixth-street, was out for a walk, and on the corner of Thirty-fifth-street and First-avenue he encountered a man named JOHN MCMANUS, who, he alleges, made an attack on him, robbing him of his watch and chain, valued at $60, and $60 in money, which he had in the outside pocket of his coat. MCMANUS was arrested and gave his residence as Thirty-fourth-street and First-avenue, his occupation as that of a plasterer, and his age 32 years. He denied his guilt, but was committed in default of bail to answer at the Court of General Sessions.

LAW REPORTS.

COURT CALENDARS—THIS DAY.

SUPREME COURT—CHAMBERS.

Held by Barnard, J.

Nos.
35—People ex rel. Parker vs. Kirchenbacker.
58—Valentine vs. Schnitz, et al.
60—Moore et al. vs. Hudson River Railroad.
78—Porter vs. Patterson et al.
92—Lawler vs. Lawler.
109—Brandage vs. Van Wart.
112—Oathout vs. Stone et al.
119—Cohen vs. Ottenheimer.
124—Lydecker vs. Lydecker.
134—Small vs. Kalb.
146—In re. Dodge vs. Connolly.

Nos.
148—Wilson vs. McLean.
149—Hayward vs. Vook.
150—Thompson vs. O'Rourke
151—Ross vs. Ross et al.
152—Same vs. Same.
153—Nicholson vs. Stanton.
154—Callaghan vs. Ferris.
155—Same vs. Same.
156—Schmail vs. Rabb.
157—Gibbons et al. vs. Heinener.
158—Linn vs. Treadwell.
160—Watzfelder vs. Burgignon.
162—Herner vs. McRea.
163—Ellsworth vs. Ellsworth.
164—Lent vs. Boots.

Call at No. 145—Small vs. Call.

MARINE COURT—TRIAL TERM.

Held by Alker, J.

Adjourned to Friday, 23d inst.

UNITED STATES SUPREME COURT.

CORPORATE POWERS—A "PUBLIC PURPOSE" IN CONTEMPLATION OF LAW—STATE CONSTRUCTION AS INFLUENCING THE DECISIONS OF THE FEDERAL COURTS.

Elizur Mitchell and William B. Glover, Plaintiffs in Error, vs. The City of Burlington.—In error to the Circuit Court for the District of Iowa.

Mr. Justice CLIFFORD delivered the opinion of the Court: Plaintiffs sued the corporation defendants in a plea of debt, declaring on five bonds of $1,000 each, issued by the city on the 23d day of March, 1850, and made payable, ten years after date, to E. W. Clark Brother & Co., or bearer, with interest on the same at 10 per cent. per annum. The bonds were signed by the Mayor and Recorder of the city, and purport to have been issued in pursuance of an ordinance of the city "to provide for procuring and investing the loan of $10,000 to the city, to be invested in the stock of the Burlington and Mount Pleasant Plank-road Company and for other purposes." Declaration alleged that the plaintiffs became the lawful owners and holders of the bonds before they were due, and that the defendants were liable to pay to them the amount of the bonds.

Defendants appeared and pleaded, among other defences, as set up in the answer, that the Plank-road Company mentioned in the declaration, was a private corporation; that the bonds were executed for the purpose of procuring money to invest in the stock of that Company; and that the obligees of the bonds purchased the same, and loaned the money, well-knowing that the proceeds of the bonds were to be used for that purpose. They also set up the defence that the Mayor and Recorder of the city had no authority to issue the bonds, and that the bonds, as against the defendants, were void.

Parties defendant under the rules of practice which prevail in the Court below, may set forth in the answer as many causes of defence as they may have; but when the facts stated in the answer, or any division of the same, are not sufficient to constitute a defence, the plaintiff may demur. (Rev. Code, Iowa, pp. 520, 527.) Neither party is allowed to demur generally, but the requirement in all cases is that the demurrer must distinctly specify, as the grounds of objection, the matter of error intended to be argued as defects in the pleading, and no joinder in demurrer is required. (Ibid, p. 518.) Pursuant to these rules of pleading, the plaintiffs demurred to the answer of the defendants, and assigned, among others, the following causes of demurrer:

1. That the answer did not allege that the plaintiffs knew for what purpose the bonds were to be issued, or to what use the proceeds of the same were to be applied.

2. That the answer is defective because the allegation that the Plank-road Company was a private corporation contradicts the law of the State, of which the Court will take judicial notice.

3. That the answer is insufficient, because the defendants, in their corporate capacity, had a right to borrow money, upon a proper vote of their citizens, for any public purpose, and that the construction of the plank-road mentioned in the pleadings was a public purpose within the meaning of their charter; and that inasmuch as the money was not borrowed for any illegal purpose, the defence set up was no bar to the action.

Such being substantially the state of the pleadings, the Court overruled the demurrer of the plaintiffs and decided that the answer of the defendants disclosed a good defence to the action; and the plaintiffs electing to stand on that demurrer, judgment was rendered for the defendants, and the plaintiffs sued out this writ of error.

1. The pleadings raise the question as to the validity of the bonds mentioned in the declaration, and the effect of the decision in the Court below was that they are issued without authority. Whether valid or invalid, it is certain that they were issued under a provision in the charter of the city which authorized the corporation defendants to borrow money for any public purpose whenever, in the opinion of the City Council, it should be deemed expedient to exercise that power. Certain important conditions, however, are annexed to the exercise of the power, as appears by the provision itself, but it is unnecessary to examine those conditions, as it is conceded by the defendants that there is no formal objection to the exercise of the authority. All the conditions annexed to the exercise of the power, as expressed in the provision, having been fulfilled, the only questions which, under any circumstances, could arise in the case, are whether the provision is a valid one, and if so, whether the power conferred was exercised for a purpose within the meaning of the provision? Questions of a similar character have been repeatedly before the Court, and they have uniformly been decided in the same way. Present defendants presented the same questions to this Court at the last term, and the Court held that the power to borrow money for any public purpose, within the meaning of the provision, was conferred by the charter in express terms, and that there was nothing in the Constitution of the State which limited the authority so conferred, or rendered it invalid. Satisfied with that conclusion, it is deemed necessary to assign new reasons in its support, or to repeat those adduced in our former opinion.

Proceeds of the bonds in that case had been appropriated in the construction of a railway, and the Court held that railways were so far to be considered as in the nature of improved highways, and as indispensable to the public interest, and the successful pursuit even of local business, and that a State Legislature might authorize the towns and counties of a State through which a railway passes to borrow money, issue their bonds, subscribe for the stock of the Company, or purchase the same, with a view of aiding those engaged in constructing or completing such a public improvement, and that a legislative act conferring such authority was not in contradiction of any implied limitation of the power of the Legislature. (Rogers vs. Burlington, 3 Wall, 654.) Substantially the same decision as to the power of the Legislature was made in the case of Gelpcke vs. The City of Dubuque, (1 Wall, 202,) and it is proper to remark that the opinion of the Court in that case was chiefly founded upon a provision in the charter of that city, expressed in the same words as the provision under consideration in this case. Same question was presented to this Court, on a second occasion, at the last term, and the Court unanimously held that, unless restrained by the organic law, the Legislature of a State had the right to authorize a municipal corporation to take stock in a railroad, or other work of internal improvement, to borrow money to pay for it, and to levy a tax to repay the loan. (Thompson vs. Lee County, 3 Wall, 330.

2. Applying those decisions to the present case, it is clear that nothing remains open for discussion, except the question whether the bonds issued to aid in constructing a plank-road fall within the same principle as those issued granting aid to a railway. Plank-roads are as much highways as railroads, and if authorized to be constructed by the Legislature, they are public improvements. Money borrowed to aid in the construction of such highways by a municipal corporation is borrowed for a public purpose, and if the road leads from, extends to, or passes through the limits of the Corporation furnishing the aid, the bon is of the Corporation given as the means of raising the money are within the power conferred by that provision. (Meyer and City of Muscatine, 1 Wall., 384.)

3. Attention is also called to the fact that the Courts of the State have recently decided in several cases that the city had no authority to issue the bonds, and reference is made to the decisions of this Court, where it is held that this Court follows the decisions of the State Courts in the settled construction of their Constitutions and statutes.

Similar suggestions in this class of cases have several times been presented to this Court, and the Court has on two occasions carefully examined the subject and shown to a demonstration that they cannot avail where the bonds, at the time they were issued, were valid by the Constitution and laws of the State. Discussion upon that topic is unnecessary, as the point is controlled by those decisions. (Gelpcke vs. Dubuque, 1 Wall, 202; Hallmeyer vs. Iowa County, 3 Wall, 295.)

For these reasons we are of opinion that the Circuit should have sustained the demurrer of the plaintiffs to the answer of the defendants.

The judgment of the Circuit Court is, therefore, reversed, with costs, and the case is remanded for further proceedings in conformity to the opinion of this Court.

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT—SOUTHERN DISTRICT—AUG. 20.

Before Judge Blatchford.

A large number of processes in Admiralty and Internal Revenue were called and disposed of, after which the following application was made to the Court:

BANKRUPTCY—DEMAND OF JURY.

In the Matter of G. & H. Pupke, Involuntary Bankrupts.—In this case Mr. A. F. Smith, in behalf of the debtor, stated to the Court that arrangements were being made for a compromise of the matter, to carry out which it had been agreed that the proceeding should be adjourned; but if the compromise should fall through, he should want a jury, and he inquired of the Court whether he would under the act have the same right to demand a jury on the adjourned day, as on this the return day.

The Judge, after looking at the statute, expressed some doubt whether a jury could be demanded on any day but the return day. But the counsel for the petitioning creditor saying that he had no objection, the Judge ordered the case to be adjourned, making it a part of the order that the adjournment was to be "with like effect in all respects as if that day were the return day of the order, instead of this day."

UNITED STATES CIRCUIT COURT—SOUTHERN DISTRICT.

Before Judge Blatchford.

ATTACHMENT FOR CONTEMPT.

In the Matter of the Attachment against John Miller.—In this case an attachment had been issued against the defendant, as also against William Mueller for contempt in violating the injunction of the Court against infringements upon the patent for hard rubber. The attachment was issued on motion, and the defendant was arrested on July 31, and has been in custody since. On this day the parties appeared and on the interrogatories filed and the answers of the defendant the plaintiffs moved for a referee to take testimony as to the alleged contempt. Counsel for the defendant opposed the reference and after hearing the counsel the Judge said that he did not think the contempt committed by this defendant, who was mere workman, was of so aggravated a character as that of Mueller; that the plaintiffs were entitled to the reference for which they asked, but he thought the ends of justice would be subserved by discharging Mueller on his own recognizance to appear at any time hereafter when the Court should order, leaving the proceedings just as they were, and that if it appeared at any time hereafter that he had again been engaged in any similar infringement he could be brought before the Court on these proceedings for further punishment, he having already received a pretty severe admonition.

Counsel acquiesced in the suggestion of the Court.

DECISIONS.

SUPREME COURT—CHAMBERS—AUG. 20.

By Judge Barnard.

Redmond vs. Elmer et al.; motion granted. Collins vs. Collins; motion granted. Stiffen vs. Rosenstein et al.; motion granted, and reference ordered to hear and determine. Schneider vs. Schneider; report confirmed, and divorce granted. Flagler vs. Underhill; motion denied. Ambler vs. Skinner; motion granted if defendant pays disbursements up to date and go on before same referee, otherwise denied. Campbell vs. Campbell: report confirmed and divorce granted. Hatch vs. Hatch; motion for alimony and counsel fee granted.

SUPERIOR COURT—SPECIAL TERM—AUG. 20.

By Judge Barbour.

John Parsons vs. Charles Lundendorf; motion granted. F. A. Wheeler vs. E. C. B. Garcia; motion granted. A. Morales vs. C. Sheysez; motion denied with $5 costs.

By Judge Jones.

Jane Ferrero et. George Buhlmeyer et al.; injunction dissolved upon terms. George Kraeher vs. David Olmstead; new trial ordered, with costs to plaintiff to abide event.

COURT OF COMMON PLEAS—SPECIAL TERM—AUG. 20.

By Judge Cardozo.

Herwig vs. Herwig; judgment settled. Moeler vs. Hyde; report confirmed and judgment granted. Horn vs. Murphy; the costs, &c., claimed by the receiver seem reasonable, and an order in the form proposed by his counsel may be presented to me and will be allowed.

COURT OF SPECIAL SESSIONS.

Before Judge Kelly.

Fifty-one cases made up the calendar yesterday at the Court of Special Sessions, of which number many were petty larceny and assault and battery charges. These were of a trivial character, not worthy of more than the paragraphic notice found in the following

SUMMARY:

John Wise, charged with having driven a horse the hoofs of whose hind feet were greatly diseased, was found guilty and fined $5.

Patrick Joyce was arraigned for assaulting a woman, a resident of the same house. The complainant swore that the prisoner came to her room twice, each time well prepared for action. The first time he carried two bricks, and when he came again he was armed with a formidable pair of shears. As it did not appear in evidence that he actually assaulted the woman, he was released upon furnishing $800 bail to preserve the peace for six months.

Mary De Graw was fined $10 for beating a neighbor named Mary Shea. The weapons used in this instance were the lid of a milk can and two bundles of kindling wood. The cause of the trouble was a misunderstanding about the ownership of a cradle.

Thomas Rye and Wm. Kurtz, two vile wretches, who are in the habit of lounging about the public parks at night for an unmentionable purpose, were charged by Officer McCarthy with having perpetrated an indecent assault upon him, a few evenings ago in Union-square. Both were found guilty and sentenced to the Penitentiary—the former for six and the latter for four months.

A little boy, named Mark Simon, evidently not more than 10 years of age, was placed upon trial for having kicked and beaten a little girl in satisfaction for something that she did that provoked his displeasure. He was fined $15 and sharply reprimanded by the Judge.

A Pennsylvania farmer, named James O'Connell, was charged with driving cattle through the Eighth-avenue within the prescribed limits, thus violating a Board of Health ordination. In extenuation the offender pleaded his ignorance of the law and promised not to repeat the misdemeanor. He was accordingly discharged.

Nathan Morris, a laboring man, while under the influence of liquor, attacked a man named Nathan Morris, a baker, in front of his store in Madison-street, inflicting injuries from which the complainant did not soon recover. The prisoner was fined $15, and cautioned against using his fists unlawfully in the future.

Josephine Mills pleaded guilty to a charge of petty larceny, in having stolen a pail and some flowers from a neighbor's apartment. She was sentenced to the Penitentiary for one month.

John Craig, a filthy-looking squatter, without shoes or hat, and with trowsers rolled up, gave dirt, to hide his nakedness, was tried and convicted of violating the Health Laws. The offence consisted in having thrown fifteen cart-loads of manure into a vacant lot in West Fifty-third-street. Judge KELLY sent him to the Penitentiary for two months.

Charles Lowendorff was charged with inhuman treatment to and his wife, in having beaten her and threatened to cut her throat with a huge knife. He was sentenced to the Penitentiary for four months.

Thos. Ryan contessed to a charge of theft preferred against him by a fellow-workman. He alleged that the prisoner stole his overcoat, valued at $20. Penitentiary two months.

Sarah Jackson, not altogether pleased with her own stove, and greatly preferring one belonging to her friend Mrs. Ennis, paid a visit to the rooms of the lady just named, and taking advantage of the occupant's absence, surreptitiously carried away her stove. Mrs. Ennis, of course, missed her stove when she returned home, and upon searching for it found it in the prisoners possession. Sarah was sent to the Penitentiary for two months.

James Murphy stole a rope fender from on board an East River ferry boat a few days since. He pleaded not guilty, but as the evidence was overwhelming against him, he was found guilty and sentenced to the Penitentiary for three months.

George Miller, a man 67 years of age, was placed at the bar, charged with having committed an indecent assault upon a little girl 10 years of age, named Louisa Myer. The brutal fellow was sentenced to the Penitentiary for six months.

Jeremiah Haley was found guilty of a charge of cruelty to animals and fined $15. The evidence showed that the prisoner set a ferocious bull-dog upon a cat, the result being that the latter was shockingly mutilated and eventually killed. Fined $15 and sharply reprimanded for his cruelty.

An aged woman named Bridget Gallagher was accused of attempting to pick a lady's pocket, at Washington Market. Penitentiary six months.

Lena Vendell, of No. 460 Pearl-street, was arraigned upon the complaint of Officer Fitzgerald, of the Fourth Precinct, who charged her with having assaulted him one day recently, when he had occasion to visit the lager-beer saloon in which she is employed. Fined $25.

Cyrus Lockwood and Ira M. Lang, who were found guilty last Saturday of selling obscene prints and remanded, were yesterday fined $50 each for the misdemeanor. Judge KELLY announced his intention to deal more severely with such offenders hereafter.

MONETARY AFFAIRS.

Sales at the Stock Exchange—Aug. 20, 1867.

$25,000 U. S. 6s, '81, C.	113⅝	18 Del. & Hud. C. Co.	150
15,000 U. S. 6s, 5-20s. C. '62	113⅝	60	149¾
50,000 do	113⅝	100 Bruns. G. L. Co	7
3,000 do Small	113⅝	300 Butler Coal	16½
3,000 U. S. 6s, 5-20s. C. '64	106⅝	100 do	16¼
125,000 do	106⅝	700 West. U. Tel	45⅛
50,000 U. S. 6s, 5-20s. '64,	110⅛	200 do	45⅜
50,000 do	110⅝	100 do	45⅝
100,000 U. S. 6s, 5-20s. O. '67, New Issue	108⅛	100 Pac. M. S. Co	148
10,000 do	108⅛	200 do	148⅛
16,000 U.S. 5s, 10-40, C.	102⅞	200 do	148⅜
1,000 do	103	100 Erie Railroad	74½
20,000 U. S. 5-20s, C. '65 new issues	103⅜	400 do	70⅞
3,000 do	103⅝	300 do	70⅝
4,500 do	103⅝	300 do	70⅞
300,000 Ty. Notes, 7 3-10s.		300 N. Y. Cen	103½
2d ser	107⅛	100 do	103⅝
100,000 do. Third Ser.	107⅛	300 Hudson R	124⅛
5,000 Tenn. 6s, new	65⅝	200 do	124⅜
1,000 do	65⅝	200 do	124⅝
20,000 Tenn. 6s, o	67	400 Reading R	94⅞
2,000 Ga. St. 6s	74	100 Mich. S. & N. I.	89
3,000 Ga. St. 7s	84¾	400 do	81⅜
3,000 N. Car. 6s, o	54	200 do	81⅝
5,000 N. Car. 6s, new	54¾	300 do	82
7,000 Missouri 6s	102⅜	200 Chi. & N. W	45¼
20,000 O. & M. C	27	100 do	45⅛
9,000 O. & Miss. 1st	85	100 do	45⅜
5,000 Alt. & T. H. 1st M.	91	100 do b60	45⅝
2,000 Alt. & T. H. 2d Pr	82	300 do	45¾
20,000 Chic. & Alt. In. S.	92	200 C. & N. W. Pr	85¼
2,000 Morris & Es. 1st M.	97	500 do	89⅜
4,000 Mar. Ist. M. new	80	200 do	89½
10 Bk. of Com	118¼	300 do 2d call	89⅝
5 Park Bank	300	200 Cleve. & Pitts	102
5 Imo. & Trad. B'k	115	200 Chic. & R. I.	102⅝
5 Cen. Nat. Bank	107½	10 Mil. & St. P. R	48⅜
20 Continental Bank	107	100 do	48½
200 Adams Ex. Co	74⅝	50 do	48¾
20 do	74¾	200 Pitts. F. W. & C. R.	106
100 Canton Co	48	970 do b30	104½
100 Bos. Water P	21¼	200 do	104⅝

SECOND BOARD.

$500 U. S. 6s, '67, C.	110	50 Del. & Hud. C.	149
18,000 U. S. 6s, '81, R.	110⅜	100 Quicksilver	28¾
13,500 U. S. 6s, '81, C.	111⅛	100 Mariposa, Pr	18
100,000 U. S. 6s, 5-20s. C. '62	113⅝	100 Adams Express	74⅛
62,000 U. S. 6s, 5-20s. '65, New Is	108¾	100 Wells, F. & Co. Ex	66
25,000 U. S. 6s, 5-20s, C. '67, New	108⅛	25 Cent. National	102
150,000 U.S. 5s, 10-40s. C.	102⅜	300 Pacific Mail	148¾
384,000 Tr. Not., 7 3-10s.	100	20 do	148¼
2d series	107⅜	100 do	148⅜
150,000 do 3d ser.	107⅛	100 do	148⅝
5,000 Tenn. 6s, new	65⅛	100 N. Y. Cen. R.	103⅛
50,000 do	65	1000 do b10	103⅛
10,000 Mo. 6s, o	103¾	300 do	103⅜
9,000 Virginia 6s, o	50	800 do	103⅝
10,000 O. & M. Cer	26⅝	200 Reading R	104⅛
10,000 Ts. & W. 1st M. Ex.	80	200 M. S. & N. I. R.	81⅞
3,000 Chi. & Alt. 1st M	102	100 Ill. Cen.	119½
100 West. U. Tel	44⅞	400 Clev. & Pitts	92½
200 do	44¾	100 Chi. & N. W.	45⅝
100 Cumb. Coal Pr	34	100 do	45¾
100 do	34⅜	400 Chic. & N. W. Pr	89⅛
100 do b30	34⅝	100 do	89⅜
250 Mar. Min. Co	10¼	100 Clev. & Tol. R	122
100 Atlantic Mail	113	100 Mil. & St. P. Pr	65¼
100 do	113⅛	100 do	65⅜

OPEN BOARD—10 A. M.

$10,000 O. & M. C	27	100 West. U. Tel	45⅛
150 Adams Ex. Co	74⅛	800 Erie R	70⅝
100 Quick. Min	30	200 do c	70⅝
100 do b30	30	200 Hud. Riv. R	124⅛
100 Mar. Pf	19	200 Clev. & Pitts	93¾
200 Pacific Mail	148¾	200 Chi., R. I. & Pac	103⅜
400 do	148⅜	1100 do	103
100 do b3	149	300 Chi. & N. W. R	45⅝
50 do	148⅜	100 do b30	46
100 do	148⅝	200 do c	45⅝
100 N. Y. Cen	103⅝	100 do b10	45¾
100 do c	103⅝	400 Chi. & N. W. Pr	70⅜
200 do	103⅝		

OPEN BOARD—1 P. M.

$10,000 Ohio & M. C	26⅜	800 M. S. & N. I	81¾
100 Boston W. P	21	100 do b15	81¾
100 Quicksilver	28⅜	100 do	81⅝
50 Mar. Min. Pf	19¾	200 do	81⅞
400 West. U. Tel	44⅜	200 do s10	81¾
1200 do	44⅜	200 do c	81⅜
100 do b30	44⅜	100 P. F. W. & C	103
200 do c	44⅜	800 Chic., R. I. & P	102⅜
100 N. Y. Cen	104⅛	100 do b15	102⅝
300 do	104⅞	100 do c	102⅜
100 do s10	104⅞	200 Chic. & N. W.	44⅞
2200 do	105	100 do b10	44⅞
100 Hud. R. R	124⅜	300 Chic. & N. W. P. b3	69⅛
1100 Erie R	70⅝	200 do	69¼
200 do b10	69⅜	200 do	69⅜
100 do s10	69⅜	100 do b10	69⅛
1200 do	69⅜	100 Butler Coal	16⅜
8 do	69⅛	100 do	16⅝
200 Reading R	104⅜		

OPEN BOARD—3½ P. M.

$10,000 Ohio & M. C. b10	26⅛	100 N. Y. Cen. s10	105
5,000 do	26⅛	200 Mil. & St. P. Pf	65¾
100 Boston W. P	21⅛	100 Mich. Cen. R	109
100 Mariposa Min. b30	10⅜	400 M. S. & N. I	81
100 Pacific Mail	148⅜	do b3	81⅝
5 At. Mail	113⅞	200 Cleve. & Pitts	92⅝
300 West. U. Tel	44⅜	400 do	92⅞
200 do	44⅜	200 do b30	92¾
200 do s10	44⅜	200 do b3	93
100 do s30	44⅜	100 Chi. R. I. & P. b10	102⅜
400 Erie R	69⅛	100 do	102⅝
100 do b15	69⅛	300 Cleve. & Tol	122
100 do	69⅜	300 Chi. & N. W	45
1800 Reading R	104⅜	100 do	45⅛
100 do b30	104⅛	100 Chic. & N. W. P. s30	69
200 do s5	104⅛	400 do	69⅜

TUESDAY, AUG. 20—P. M.

Money found more active employment today. The mercantile calls were more extensive. The speculative demand was also rather more urgent. An increased outflow of currency to the interior was reported. More of the new business was transacted, in a

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WALLACK'S THEATRE.
Broadway, corner 13th-st.
THIS EVENING, commencing at 8 o'clock. LITTLE NELL and THE MARCHIONESS. Characters by Miss Lotta and company.

BROADWAY THEATRE.
Broadway, near Broome-st.
THIS EVENING, commencing at 7½ o'clock. CASTE. Characters by Mr. W. J. Florence, Mrs. W. J. Florence, Mrs. F. S. Chanfrau, Mrs. G. H. Gilbert, Mr. W. Davidge, Mr. O. Marlowe, Mr. E. Lamb.

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THIS EVENING, commencing at 7½ o'clock, an original and grand spectacular Drama, entitled THE BLACK CROOK.

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14th-st., near 6th-av.
THIS EVENING, commencing at 8 o'clock, ELIZABETH, QUEEN OF ENGLAND. Characters by Mrs. F. W. Lander, Mr. Jas. H. Taylor, Mr. George Seeks, Mr. J. W. Osgoswell, Miss Minnie Monk, Miss Jennie Gourlay, Miss Adah Monk.

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NEWS OF THE DAY.

EUROPE.

The Emperor NAPOLEON had a long conference yesterday with Baron VON BEUST. The interview, as well as those which had already taken place between NAPOLEON and FRANCIS JOSEPH, is said to have resulted in a good understanding between all the parties, although no treaty has yet been made. The official journals of Vienna state, however, that the peace of Germany is now secured.

Gen. PRIM, who is said to be supplied with money by prominent Parisian bankers, is still at the head of the Spanish insurrection, which is not yet quelled.

FUAD PASHA, the Turkish Minister who accompanied the Sultan throughout his Western tour, has gone to the Crimea to meet the Czar of Russia.

The mission of the United States at the Holy See having been discontinued, the American Legation in Rome has been closed.

Lord MONCK will not return to England, but will remain a twelvemonth longer in Canada at the head of the new Government.

GENERAL.

At the session of the Constitutional Convention yesterday a resolution was adopted, ordering that the report of the Committee on State Finances and the Committee on Canals be made the special order for Tuesday next, and for every day thereafter until disposed of. A report from the Standing Committee on canals was presented, and is to be discussed at a future day. The Convention then went into Committee of the Whole on the report of the Committee on Banking and Corporations. The pending question was on the amendment prohibiting the consolidation of railroad corporations where the aggregate capital exceeds $20,000,000. After several amendments had been offered, debated and lost, the amendment was adopted—yeas 49, nays 44. An amendment was adopted providing that in case of the insolvency of any bank or banking association the bill-holders thereof shall be entitled to preference in payments over all other creditors of such banks or associations. Other amendments were debated and lost, after which the Convention took a recess to 7:30 o'clock. At the evening session the discussion of the report of the Committee on Banking and Corporations was continued. An amendment was adopted providing that every stockholder of any association which issues bank notes, or any kind of paper credits to circulate as money, shall be individually liable to the amount of the stock owned by him. Other amendments were offered and lost. The Committee rose and reported the article on Banking and Corporations, which was referred to the Committee on Revision. The Convention then adjourned to this morning.

A meeting of thirty members of the Bar of the District of Columbia was held yesterday for the purpose of taking action regarding the order of Judge FISHER striking from the roll of the Court the name of JOSEPH BRADLEY, Sr. A meeting of other members was held some time since, which indorsed Mr. BRADLEY and censured Judge FISHER. At the meeting yesterday resolutions were adopted disapproving of the action of the former meeting, and declaring, "in the words of a distinguished author, if a Judge makes an error it can be corrected in the Supreme Court." The resolutions also assert that it is "a grave error to suppose that the rights of attorneys could be maintained by personal vituperation or physical violence. On the contrary, these rights should be secured according to the rules of decorum, refinement and professional courtesy." The resolutions also assert the propriety of Courts punishing for contempt, and indorsing the language of the late Chief-Justice CRANCH on the subject.

A special dispatch from Fort Hays represents that post as being surrounded by hostile Indians, who are stealing large quantities of stock, and committing other depredations. Work on the Pacific Railroad at that point had been suspended in consequence of the troubles. The garrison at the fort was so small as to be able to offer but little protection. An expedition of volunteers had been organized, however, and started out to punish the Indians. Advices from Omaha give the details of a fight between fifty Pawnee scouts and one hundred Cheyennes, at Plum Creek, wherein the Pawnees were victorious. They killed a number of the Cheyennes, secured fifteen scalps, forty head of cattle, and two prisoners. The Sioux and Crows had a battle near Fort Stevenson, in which the latter were victorious. Several were killed on each side.

By the arrival from Aspinwall of the steamer *Arizona* yesterday, we are in receipt of our Panama, Chili and Peru correspondence. The return of the Spaniards to the Pacific was still being discussed. News had been received at Valparaiso that MENDEZ NUNEZ had reached Montevideo with three frigates, the intelligence causing decided excitement in the Cabinet. Tranquility reigned throughout Peru. Nothing, however, had been accomplished toward making up the deficiency in the public revenue, owing to the unsettled differences between the Ministry and Congress. The port of Pisco had been declared open, and being located about six miles from the Chinchas, will doubtless monopolize the shipping business formerly transacted at the first-named port.

The order relieving Gen. SHERIDAN from the command of the Fifth Military District was issued by Gen. GRANT yesterday, in obedience to the orders of the President. The order directs Gen. THOMAS to turn over his command to the senior officer of his department, and to proceed at once to New-Orleans to relieve Gen. SHERIDAN. Gen. SHERIDAN is to proceed to Fort Leavenworth, Kansas, to relieve Gen. HANCOCK, first reporting to Gen. GRANT, in Washington. Gen. HANCOCK, on being relieved, will proceed to Louisville, Ky., and assume command of the Department of the Cumberland, in place of Gen. THOMAS.

A Court-martial at Charleston, S. C., has fined Capt. W. F. MCNELTY $250 for refusing to carry as a first-class passenger on his steamboat *Pilot Boy*, Miss FRANCES ROLLINS, a colored woman, because of her color. His refusal was in violation of a general order issued by Gen. SICKLES. In reviewing the proceedings of the Court, Gen. SICKLES says that "so long as the laws imposed civil and political disabilities, because of servitude or color, common carriers were permitted to enforce the same discrimination among passengers. Such disabilities and usages have ceased with Slavery to have any legal sanction whatever." He approves the proceedings and confirms the sentence.

Mr. PLUMB, Secretary of Legation to Mexico, having received authority and instructions from the State Department to represent the United States Government at that Court, left Washington on Monday, *en route* to enter upon his official duties. The recent commission of Mr. OTTERBURG to act as United States representative in Mexico is canceled and Mr. PLUMB succeeds him with powers in the nature of Chargé d'Affaires.

Several members of the Little family, of Elizabeth, N. J., have been arrested on suspicion of being concerned in the Westfield bond robbery.

A soda-water fountain exploded in Newark, on Monday last, seriously injuring Mr. JAMES MCGRATH.

Mr. DANIEL YAWGER, of Morristown, fell down a flight of steps on Monday evening, and was killed.

LOCAL.

GARNISS E. BAKER, Paying Teller of the Tradesmen's National Bank, was arraigned before Justice HOGAN at the Tombs, yesterday, on a charge of embezzling $54,000 belonging to the bank. His examination was set down for Friday morning next, and in the meantime he was locked up.

Dr. HARRIS' weekly letter to the Board of Health, received yesterday, notes some points of interest touching the condition of the public health in this City and Brooklyn. Nearly 75 per cent. of the mortality of the past week, we are told, was among young children.

Fifty-one cases, principally of petty larceny and assault and battery—none of them of unusual importance—occupied the attention of Justice KELLY yesterday at the Court of Special Sessions.

The examination in the Royal Life Insurance Bond-robbery case has been postponed until the 27th inst.

We are indebted to Purser WM. HATHAWAY, Jr., of the steamship *San Salvador*, for late advices from Savannah.

Gold fell yesterday to 140¾. Money was more active. The Public Funds were cheaper, on heavier offerings. Stocks were unsettled during the day, but closed firmly. Produce and Merchandise were in demand. Flour, Wheat and Rye were firm. Corn and Oats were lower. Provisions were stronger. Groceries buoyant. Cotton cheaper. Freights dull.

The British Postmaster-General and the New Postal Convention.

The mail brings to-day the brief speech of the Duke of MONTROSE in announcing to the House of Lords the new Postal Convention between the United States and Great Britain. The Duke does not appear to have deemed it necessary to refer in detail to the causes which made such a Convention expedient and desirable. But he acknowledges with becoming frankness his obligations to our Government for having "acted with the greatest cordiality, and displayed the greatest anxiety to facilitate the arrangements." If the British Postmaster-General had studied the statistics bearing upon ocean postal rates in general, as carefully as no doubt some of his subordinates have done, he could have shown how the lowering of the rates must result in the creation of a mail-carrying business far more remunerative than that which has grown up under the present tariff. All the arguments which went to show the sound economy of a cheap internal postage system—and which experience has more than confirmed—might with equal force be applied to ocean postage, especially between Western Europe and the United States.

Every year's immigration necessarily adds to the amount of correspondence—and of that particular kind of correspondence which seeks a cheap means of conveyance, and which is limited mainly by the excessive carriage impost. Of the tens of thousands of German and Irish people that work their way hither as intending settlers, a very large proportion are sufficiently intelligent to be able to correspond with their relatives. Every family that comes here leaves relatives and friends behind—most of them poor, but generally willing to sacrifice something to keep alive the acquaintance and the sympathies of early years through the agency of the post.

Looking to the foreign mail arrivals at this port for the past year, and comparing these with those of only five years ago, we find the growth of the service to be perfectly marvelous even at the present needlessly high rates. In 1862 the number of foreign letters received and dispatched here were nearly equal—the total being 4,208,639. In 1866 the number received amounted to 3,738,995; and the number dispatched to 3,772,378; making the aggregate, out and in, for the year, 7,511,373. In the first-named year we received foreign mails by steamer at the rate of 25 per month, and we dispatched them hence at the rate of 19 a month. In 1866 the receipts had increased to 52, and the dispatches to 40 a month. These figures show an increase within four years of 100 per cent. in the steam lines of carriage, and of 75 per cent. in the actual amount of mail matter carried.

In view of these figures, the reduction of rates established by the Postal Convention can hardly be called sweeping. The British Post-office comes down from a shilling sterling to sixpence sterling, and keeps the amount accruing from their tariff. Our Department collects here, in our own money, at the same rate for all letters dispatched hence. The reduction will be a boon, but we think it was timid. A five cent postage, we are convinced, would have brought more into the Treasury within two years than will accrue from the twelve cent rate. But a step has been made in the right direction, and postal reformers will shortly have a new lever to work by, and they will use it just as soon as it can be shown (and we shall not have to wait long to have it shown) that the new ocean rates are remunerative. Every additional ship-load of emigrants from Bremen, or Liverpool or Cork, will supply a new argument for cheaper means of carrying the intercontinental mail, and the two Governments will yield at the proper time to the popular demand.

The most admirable feature of the provisions of the Convention lie in their simplicity. The compulsory prepayment of the postage on letters, and on all mail-matter of whatever kind, will in itself be found a most wise economy in various ways—but especially in this that it does away with the necessity of keeping and checking intricate accounts upon international correspondence; and it avoids also all possible grounds of collision in the yearly settlement of balances. The mail, moreover, does not hereafter carry matter which it runs any risk of not being paid for. Each Department knows precisely what it has earned as the mail is made up. The dispatching country having the sole power to collect, and the right to hold all that it does collect—it is logically provided thereafter in the treaty that each Post Department makes its own arrangement for the dispatch of mails to the other in well-appointed ships, sailing on stated days, and is to remunerate the carriers so employed as it may be able to contract for the service. There is nothing, indeed, in any part of the convention which need give rise to any disagreement. Both departments will naturally—as a matter of friendly rivalry and national pride—use only vessels of the very best kind, and deal only with contractors whose responsibility and whose solvency are beyond all suspicion.

The Duke of MONTROSE expresses the conviction that before long the service will grow into a daily mail from each side. The conviction is natural and reasonable, but it might be uttered with far more confidence if his Grace were authorized to say that there exists to-day a clear and thorough understanding between the two Governments on other matters of international concern. The way has been open some time for Lord DERBY and his Government to reach such an understanding. The chance of reaching it does not improve by delay.

The Removal of Sheridan.

There seems to be no doubt that, in removing Gen. SHERIDAN, the President has acted in defiance of the "earnest protest" of Gen. GRANT. The *Tribune's* correspondent concurs with our own in indicating the efforts of the Acting Secretary of War to induce a change in Mr. JOHNSON's purpose. Nothing less could have been expected from one who in another capacity has sustained the course of SHERIDAN, and justified the acts which the President now reproves. For Gen. GRANT's complete vindication, we trust the statement is true, that his views in opposition to the action of the Executive were "expressed in writing." It is of the highest importance to his own standing before the country, and the efficacy of his administration of the Reconstruction Law under the power vested in him by the supplementary legislation of the late session, that his signing of the order for the removal of SHERIDAN should be followed by such an explicit declaration of his opinion against the proceeding as will absolve him from participation in the responsibility incurred by the President.

To Gen. GRANT's influence we attribute the change in that part of the programme which relates to SHERIDAN's successor. Gen. HANCOCK is known to have been Mr. JOHNSON's first choice for the position, and the substitution of Gen. THOMAS is a modification which leaves the malcontents of Louisiana and Texas little room for exultation. They will gain nothing by the substitution of THOMAS—a soldier schooled politically under the influences of Tennessee radicalism, and who will take to his new field of duty the most advanced ideas of the North on the subject of reconstruction. Indeed, the delay of the President has enabled SHERIDAN to finish the task of registration in Louisiana; and THOMAS will therefore find the most critical feature of the work before him already completed.

We observe a fear expressed that Gen. THOMAS' well-understood opinions will be checked by instructions from the President. This will only be possible if Gen. GRANT concur. The President's lawful authority in the premises is limited to removal. Beyond that he cannot go without contravening the clearly declared purpose of Congress. Gen. THOMAS, in common with the other District Commanders, is in this matter absolved from obedience to the instructions of the civilians at Washington. He is the judge, both as to the intent of the law and the measures called for in its application; subject only to the supervision of Gen. GRANT. Whatever be the designs of the President in this direction, then, the country will look to Gen. GRANT to keep them in check, and to uphold in its integrity the law of which he has been constituted the responsible administrator.

The terms of the order issued yesterday afford evidence that Gen. GRANT contemplates no retrograde step. By the fifth clause of the order, Gen. THOMAS is directed *to continue to execute all orders he may find in force* in the Fifth Military District at the time of his assuming command of it, *unless authorized by the General of the army to annul, alter or modify them.*" No trace of Executive interference is visible here. Gen. GRANT asserts his undivided authority; and in the assurance his character and convictions afford, we have the best possible guarantee against the meddling by Mr. JOHNSON which some of our contemporaries profess to apprehend.

Thorough Work Necessary.

The dangers of crude and imperfect reconstruction are not overestimated by Gen. POPE when he says:

"If hastily or partially done, reconstruction will drag with it a train of evils to this country which can never be remedied. It is not necessary to say that however we restrain the opposition party now, the moment reconstruction is accomplished this party will regain its activity, and we ought to know in advance whether it possesses the power to undo what we thought we had done. I do not mean to intimate that it would be possible to reëstablish slavery; perhaps it would not even be practicable to take from the freedmen the right of suffrage, though this latter is doubtful. These politicians are wily and sagacious. They will make no laws which are not equal on their face to all men. It is in the execution of these laws, which seem to bear equally on all, that wrong will be done, and a condition of things produced which bears no resemblance to free government, except in name. Social exclusion, withdrawal of business relations, open exhibitions of hostility, if not, indeed, actual hostile acts, interruption of or interference with the freedmen's and other schools maintained by charitable contributions from the North—these will be the weapons used against Union men and the colored race. Acts of wrong and violence will meet no sufficient redress, if, indeed, any redress at all in the Courts. These are acts which cannot be reached by the General Government, and yet which quietly and silently render justice impossible and establish discrimination against classes or color, odious and unbearable."

The apparent answer is, that Congress holds the power of determining the sufficiency of the guarantees to be afforded by the reconstructed States prior to their readmission. And the presumption is that any error into which Congress may fall in determining this point will be on the side of stringency rather than looseness. Promises or inferences or expectations will probably avail but little. The organic laws will be searched for proofs of such adequate provision as written constitutions afford against the contingencies contemplated by Gen. POPE. These will doubtless afford security against a sudden reversal of the policy settled by Congress. And the electoral power wielded by the registered citizens will enable them in the first instance so to organize the legislative, executive and judicial departments of their respective States as will render disloyalty and the prejudices born of slavery comparatively powerless.

After all, however, something else will be necessary. That something is the guarantee which provisions incorporated into the Constitution of the United States can alone afford against the accidents of partisan warfare. The amendment yet awaiting formal ratification covers so much of the ground as relates to the equality of all, regardless of race or color, before the law. The principle of impartial suffrage remains to be provided for in the same decisive manner. It cannot be considered absolutely safe at the South until the Republic shall have embodied it in its fundamental law. An amendment engrafting equal suffrage upon the National Constitution will encounter keen opposition in the North and West. But it is indispensable as a measure of expediency not less than as a measure of justice, and the Republican Party are bound to propose and carry it as an essential condition of future success.

Colored Officials.

If the moral nature of office-holders could be painted on their outsides, no doubt many of the high seats of dignity in the land would grow black with the color of their occupants. Most politicians, could they be brought to confess their life's manœuvrings as frankly as ROUSSEAU did his littleness, would lament much sacrifice of principle and loss of self-respect in the struggles of the career which has lifted them to place. There are few parents who after such a revelation would not prefer for their sons some quiet and obscure pursuit, rather than the cares and humiliations of an office-seeker's dependent existence. Why then should the race that has just been raised to manhood be stimulated to risk all manhood is worth in the scramble for the rewards of party, instead of being taught that their happiness and respectability depend on acquiring habits of self-control, and on the practice of patient industry? Why, except to appease the morbid vanity of their great misleader, and to give PHILLIPS occasion for boasting that he did his worst to unfit them for their real duties by firing their ignorance with the hope of impossible distinctions?

This arch-agitator, respecting nothing but his own craving for notoriety, is doing the people he pretends to befriend a very serious mischief. The blacks have been made citizens before they are fit for the responsibilities of electors. It is the very deviltry of demagoguism to flatter them with the chimera that they are fit to take part in governing others. All among them of the least intelligence can see that the mass of the well-to-do white population owe their prosperity to industrious labor, and win any advancement by the aid of education. These are the lessons which any one who is really their friend would seek to impress on them. He who invites them to plunge into the excitement of political strife, and cheats their credulous helplessness with the hope of its empty prizes, deserves, as this PHILLIPS has often before deserved, the curses of the Republic. That Warwick of the blacks would make a negro Vice-President, because we should thus show to the world that his people stand in social equality with our own. If, as it is said, this pitiless egotist would die contented after seeing one of them in that office, the nation might afford to pay that price to be rid of him, were it not that it better understands the duties it owes that race, and means to shun his example by consulting both reason and conscience in dealing with them.

It is a mistake to suppose there is any logical connection between the right to vote and the right—if it be not an abuse of terms to call it so—to hold office. As the Federal law now stands, any sane, unconvicted man of 21 may vote. We have chosen to ignore intelligence as a test of the elector's fitness, and have thereby taken upon ourselves a great risk and a grievous burden. But it is absurd to conclude from this that we have done away with intelligence as a ground of fitness to be elected. Yet this is the logical basis of the demand made. Put this or that man on the ticket for the second office in the country, we are told, not because he is a fit man as well as a black one, but first because he is black, or blackish, and next because he may be fit. Turn the color argument the other way. What would be said of a nomination made because the favored man is white, leaving his qualities a secondary reason? These restless reformers would have us go back to the original meaning of the word "candidate," only substituting their own barbarous coinage of "nigrate." The colored race has been put on an equality with the white. As to holding office, what right has the white man ever had? Just this, and no more: the right to the free exercise of his toil and his talents, if he have them, by which he may build up a character for honesty and ability, and induce the community to confide in him enough to reward him with the temporary authority of office, in the trust that the duties it imposes will be well discharged. That is all that the black man has gained in this respect by emancipation. Let him set about the work with a will. Nothing else than the accomplishment of it can entitle him to present himself for the suffrages of his fellow-citizens—far less will they tolerate his preposterous claim, founded on color, to a right which they have never had—that of governing them before he has proved his ability to govern himself. There are local offices, requiring a low grade of capacity, which the negro may very possibly soon fit himself for. We see no objection to his aspiring to them, though we believe he would be far better and happier out of politics. But to thrust forward at once one of a lower race, who cannot possibly have had opportunities for the requisite training in public affairs, and the knowledge of men, to fill a high post which very few indeed, after a life-long exhibition of capacity and patriotic devotion are deemed to deserve, is the very sublimity of impudence.

The leading men of the colored race themselves make no such unreasonable claim. They understand their situation, and have no purpose to be made the catspaws of politicians. As one of their number, Major DELANY, who, in his experience as a volunteer, learned something of self-discipline and of men, very sensibly says in a letter upon the subject: "Let colored men be satisfied to take things like other men in their natural course and time, preparing themselves in every particular for local municipal positions, and they may expect to attain to some others in time."

Neither would the election of a negro as Vice-President make him or prove him to be the social equal of the white man. Social equality is an unnatural and impossible state. No right can be pleaded for it, nor can any force conquer it, nor any law impose it. It has no relation to political equality, nor does it rest upon that unprivileged right to make his way in the world, which every citizen may claim in common with every other. No man, of any color, can assert his right to be with another at the polls, or in the theatre or the cars, as authority for claiming to be helped to his soup, or to marry his daughter. Social distinctions spring from natural diversities, and are maintained by sympathies of feelings, of tastes, and pursuits. Put a dozen men and women of different characters together on a desert island, and in a week social distinctions would have marked them apart. Can any reform reduce these inborn individualities to a flat level of commonplace? Radicalism here brings up against an impassable barrier, for it cannot new create human nature. But it will make the attempt, since there is no more rest for it than for the miserable spirits who in DANTE's Hell are whirled about forever among contending winds. It will attack individual preferences and the natural right to choose one's own associates; as it has attacked individual taste by sumptuary laws, and individual conscience by prohibitory ones. And the attack will be treated, as it will deserve to be, as the presumption of brutal insolence.

Dickens Coming Again.

The American public will learn with pleasure that their favorite among novelists and humorists is about to renew in their ears the familiar but unwearying entertainments to which he has accustomed their eyes. Mr. DICKENS' agent, Mr. DOLBY, has arrived in New-York, to make arrangements for public readings of the character which have given so much satisfaction in the highest circles of his native country. Naturally, the readings may be expected to follow at an early date in the Fall, and it is needless to say that Mr. DICKENS will meet at once with a pecuniary success and a personal reception both flattering and friendly. It is said that some uncertainty has been felt of a kindly reception to the author of *American Notes* in America. The doubt is an absurdity, as great perhaps as any of the usual misconceptions of American character exhibited by our distinguished foreign visitors. The American mind is not provincial, and has no small room for petty grudges. As a whole, its measurements and its sympathies, so far as they run in common to so large a people, are necessarily large, and adapted to the estimation of great men in their great qualities, neglecting the account of their peccadilloes. We have really forgotten all about *American Notes*, while we are thankful to Mr. DICKENS for giving us so much that we can remember and enjoy forever. He will meet with a different reception from that which he formerly experienced, not from any change in our cordiality toward himself, except as it has grown and deepened, but from the marked expansion, in every sense, which twenty years cannot pass without developing to the most careless eye in a people like ours. Positively, Mr. DICKENS will find himself a greater man here than before; relatively, much less; and yet by so much the more truly honored in our self-respecting tribute to his talents and worth, and our indifference to things that were trivial in him, and much more trifles to us.

MINOR TOPICS.

The Washington correspondents of the *Herald* and the *Tribune* must have got their highly-important news out of different pigeon-holes yesterday. Both journals had dispatches about the removal of SHERIDAN, and the change of military commanders. The *Herald* announced: "The causes of this change in the programme *is said to be Gen. Grant, who favors*, it is believed, the assignment of the commanders as provided in the order of to-day." On the other side, the *Tribune*, after telling us that Gen. GRANT visited the White House, and had a long conversation with the President, adds: "It is understood *he earnestly protested against* SHERIDAN's removal, and *tried to get the President to countermand* the order, but the latter is inexorable." The *Herald* news, it will be observed, is both "said" and "believed," while the *Tribune* news, it appears, is mostly "understood." But then, perhaps, it was the same individual who both *said* and *believed* the one, while, it may be, two or more persons *understood* the other. It is therefore hard, from the face of the dispatches, to decide upon their relative reliability. The readers of the TIMES were more fortunate, in that they had more explicit and reliable information.

We trust that the mania which recently prevailed among female railroad passengers in England for accusing their male fellow-travelers of attempting indecent or criminal assaults upon them in the cars, is not going to be introduced to this country. There might sometimes have been ground for the accusation in England, where two or three passengers are often locked up together in the small apartments of the cars, and where help cannot be obtained by the weaker party. But charges of the kind are preposterous in this country, where fifty or a hundred passengers are crowded together in each car, and where any woman, on giving the least sign that she was being indecently assaulted, would at once find a score of men springing to her relief. Yet such charges have recently been made in American Courts:

The unseemly squabble as to whether the fortune of Chief-Justice CHASE is $700,000 or $70,000, or whether on the other hand, he is poor and in straits, has brought out a statement from Mr. CHASE himself, which must be considered as settling the whole dispute. After remarking that he does "not want to be represented as particularly poor or particularly disinterested," the Ex-Secretary of the Treasury says: "I think I am worth now about *one hundred thousand dollars*. I should at any rate be quite willing to take that sum in 5.20s, and make a clear conveyance of all I have in the world to anybody who will *pay my debts*. I would willingly be worth a great deal more, if *I* knew of an honest way to be worth more." We trust that now the papers and politicians which have been agitating this exciting subject of public interest will be satified.

The Lowell people, it seems, have to be told by the manager when a play at their theater is played out. We recorded yesterday, an instance, it being "the second time a Lowell audience has been told to go home." This is as bad as the perplexity of poor *Christopher Sly*, the tinker, who, in the "Taming of the Shrew," found the play "a good matter surely," but was so obscure upon the "dramatic unities," and in fact so uncertain as to what it was all about, that he had to ask of those around him, "comes there any more of it?" We would respectfully suggest that playwrights should go to work and compose same easy plays, of the juvenile type, especially adapted to the comprehension of the Lowell theatre-goers. Let the main object be to show when the play is ended. For this purpose, in tragedies, any character without exception, should be mercilessly slain, while, in comedy, each act should close with a bit of concerted poetry, showing the progress of the play. If this will not do, then we must revive for Lowell the old fashion of the epilogue; and if *that* is insufficient, then a red light or other signal of departure ought to be put in front of the curtain.

Chicago files confirm the reported Democratic negotiations for buying up the *Times* of that city, because it is "damaging to the Democratic Party." Now, therefore, we suggest that the Republicans at once bid against the Democrats, to sustain the *Times*, on the same ground. In fact, it would be a good plan for the *Times* to start a competition between the managers of both parties, giving bonds that it will accept the highest bid. Sealed proposals could be handed in, and thus the contest would be perfectly fair. It is rather hard for the Chicago Democrats to be obliged to buy up their own papers, so as to stop them from doing harm; but, if it were not malicious, we must offer this for their consolation—that they will at least never be forced to buy up any of the Republican papers on the same ground, namely, that they are "damaging to the Democratic Party."

Not a few of our order-loving citizens, who are familiar with Coney Island matters, express considerable surprise that the vigilant and active Police authorities of the Forty-eighth (Brooklyn) Precinct, who made the daring raid of Sunday last upon the liquor-dealers by the seaside, should not have had their eyes opened, as yet, to the nefarious operations of a score of armed thieves and gamblers, who daily congregate upon the beach and ply their business directly under the noses of the Metropolitans who are stationed there to protect the interests of the public. May we not hope for an Order relative to Coney Island affairs from Superintendent KENNEDY?—that is, if that official is not tired issuing Specials.

MILLIGAN, the "martyr," and COFFROTH, the candidate for office, have made a discovery out in Indiana. They have found, according to their late speeches, that free schools are "pernicious," and "vipers' dens," being "averse to democracy and filled with infidelity." This is precisely what the Nashville Democratic editors and orators discovered during the late Tennessee campaign, and it is merely an echo when MILLIGAN now says, "No Democrat could trust his children in a free school." MILLIGAN and COFFROTH are shrewd fellows. They know very well that, put in competition with well educated boys, they would become very ridiculous; and that, if free schools spread, they will lose their audiences.

The gospel of marriage and maternity which the eloquent Father HYACINTHE has recently been preaching to the licentious and loose-living Parisians with such brilliancy and power, has been producing a great effect among the fashionable classes. It has induced multitudes of persons of both sexes to revise the irregular or *hetairic* relations they were maintaining with each other, and has resulted in a large crop of marriages among people who had previously ignored the ceremony. At the same time it has affected the Parisian women favorably toward children, and has resulted in a decrease of those abominable practices of infant destruction which prevail largely in all licentious cities. We are glad to hear these things of Paris. Father Hyacinthes are needed in other cities besides Paris.

The Philadelphia *North American* resorts to a very absurd theory to account for the great decrease of negroes in the State of Mississippi during the last six years—the incident upon which it founds its theory being that shown in the State Census last year, that since 1860 the white population has decreased about 10,000 and the colored people about 66,000. We are perfectly sure that if the Philadelphia theorizer had passed up or down the Mississippi River, from New-Orleans to Cairo, during the progress of the war (or, say in 1864) he would find no difficulty in accounting for the great decrease of the blacks in the State of Mississippi. The present writer examined the subject on the spot at the time mentioned, and we found that in all the river towns, from Baton Rouge to Memphis, vast swarms of negroes had taken refuge—having fled from all parts of the interior to those localities under the jurisdiction of the Government; and at scores of places we found these poor blacks rotting of disease by the hundred and thousand. In many localities the scenes were shocking and the mortality was horrible; and we are sure that no one who was cognizant of the state of things existing then and there, will find any difficulty in accounting for the decrease of blacks in the State of Mississippi, without resorting to any fanciful or diabolical theories.

What has become of that Lake Michigan serpent? The mute, inglorious monster seems to have sunk out of sight and soundings, and the adventurous boatmen who have been plying hither and thither, armed with spy-glasses and breech-loaders, over the spot where he was last seen, toil all day and catch nothing. Or, on the other hand, was it only an extra-sized fish—a Brobdingnagian specimen of the eel tribe, which was distorted into a lake leviathan in the saucer eyes of the beholders? If so, he may, for aught we know, be already caught, killed, dressed and eaten by some unsentimental fisherman. It has been philosophically observed that, if it were not for the Falls of Niagara, the Ontario wonder and the Michigan monster might be supposed to be one and the same prodigy. In like manner, but for the Lachine and Long Sault Rapids, and various shoots and shoals besides, both these marvels might be only our old Newfoundland friend, the original sea-serpent, who, disgusted perhaps with the net of cables which modern mechanism begins to weave across his feeding-grounds in the Atlantic, has begun to explore fresh-water fields and pastures new. We wish we had suggested this great serpent-question to the *savants* who lately assembled in New-Haven.

Of a very different character are the prohibitory laws of Illinois against grain gambling, and of Massachusetts against the trade in wines and liquors. The former seek to stop the dangerous tampering of a few men with the price of a universal necessity—an irregularity which can be controlled; the latter tries to compel the total disuse of articles which are universally used—an impossible achievement. The one is an assertion of the rights of the majority; the other is an assumption of rule by the minority. The prohibitionists of Massachusetts are making new preparations for a grand political fight on "the direct issue of the hour—License or Prohibition." No one who reads the TIMES need be told that we are friends of temperance, of sobriety and of order. And yet we hope the prohibitionists of Massachusetts may be defeated on the issue they have made. The directly traceable evil results of their unwise legislation are apparent all over their otherwise most admirable and well-ordered State. Increase of crime and of drunkenness, and a large unlicensed trade in the worst of fiery liquors are the natural consequences of unnatural liquor laws which do not embody the popular sentiment, the public opinion, the only real moral force in any community.

"Nobody hurt" was the consoling commentary upon the boiler explosion of the steamer *Palisade*, the other day, and therefore the appropriate moral is in danger of escaping observation. The fact is that this explosion shows the necessity of more practical legislation upon steamer-boilers. So far as concerns the accident to the Fort Lee steamer, the mere fact that her boiler was patched is nothing, as that is a perfectly legitimate and necessary method of repair, and might be true of the finest and safest boilers. Of course, however, patching can be done in cheap and unworkmanlike fashion, in which case an accident is tolerably certain to occur. How it was with the *Palisade* we cannot of course know; but it is clear from this and many similar accidents, that the present laws do not cover the possibilities of boiler explosion, and that other legislative provisions are needed. Our impression is that this particular steamer was under the ferry laws, and so escapes the United States statutes. But even as to the United States statutes, it is clear that something more than those general provisions made with an eye to the exigencies of the Mississippi or Long Island Sound, or similar great waters, is needed. The general rule, we had almost said, with boilers, is that they are worn out, while perfectness of condition is the exception. In this case, too, the boat seems to have been overcrowded. There is no reason why a 150-feet boat should carry a number of passengers quite enough to occupy a 200-feet boat. Positive rules against overcrowding ought to be made and enforced. Had the accident occurred a few minutes later, away from the wharf, a terrible loss of life would have ensued.

CASTE IN THE CAROLINAS.

A Colored Girl Flogged by a Crowd of Men—Trial and Sentence of the Perpetrators by Court-martial—A Steamboat Captain Fined for refusing to Carry a Colored Passenger.

WASHINGTON, Tuesday, Aug. 20.

A copy of Major-Gen. SICKLES' order No. 75, dated Charleston, Aug. 17, has just been received in Washington, by which it appears that certain parties, citizens of North Carolina, were tried before the Post Court of Plymouth, in that State, on the charge first of riotous conduct, one specification and charges second, of assault and battery—specification. The following is a copy of the specification, common in substance to all the cases, except that of SAUNDERS: In this that the said defendants did in accordance with the decision of an unlawful assemblage of persons at or near Harmon's Cross Roads, did take one PHILLIS RUFFIN, colored, from a school-house to some woods near by, where one hundred and forty-six lashes, more or less, were inflicted upon her person, and that said defendants did inflict a portion of said blows or lashes. The defendant, SAUNDERS, was found guilty of assault and battery in whipping a negro girl and boy, and sentenced to be confined at hard labor for one month, and pay a fine of $20. The remaining accused were found guilty by the Court and sentenced respectively as follows: ADRAM JENKINS, Justice of the Peace, guilty of the specification to the second charge, and guilty of aiding and abetting the assault and battery, was sentenced to be removed from his office as magistrate, confined at hard labor for one month, and pay a fine of $25. Six other parties concerned in the same transaction were severally sentenced to one or three months' confinement at hard labor, and to pay a fine of $15 or $25. The order concludes as follows:

The evidence in the foregoing cases discloses a deed of lawless and inhuman violence. It appears that a daughter of one of the prisoners having attempted to beat a young colored girl, met with resistance, which became successful, and resulted in the chastisement of the white by the black. This unlooked-for reversal of a long-accustomed relation filled the neighborhood with consternation and rage. Couriers passed to and fro from farm to farm, inflaming the temper of the people and concerting measures to produce a terror among the negroes. A meeting of citizens was convened at a school-house, near the residence of the parties; the accused was among those assembled. The magistrate, JENKINS, was invited to lend the sanction of his presence and did so. PHILLIS, the young freedwoman, was sent for and dragged before this self-constituted conclave of angry men whom she had been accustomed from

WASHINGTON NEWS

The Removal of Major-General Sheridan.

Official Orders of the President and General Grant.

Gen. Thomas to Command the Fifth District.

Special Dispatches to the New-York Times.

WASHINGTON, Tuesday, Aug. 20.

The General Order relieving SHERIDAN and transferring Gens. THOMAS and HANCOCK, was promulgated by Gen. GRANT to-day, as these dispatches indicated last night. Particular attention is directed to paragraph five of the instructions. That the position of Gen. GRANT on this matter should not be misunderstood by the country, it is proper to state that, when he was apprized by the President that it was his intention to remove Gen. SHERIDAN, he sent Mr. JOHNSON an earnestly-written remonstrance against the act, and yesterday, before complying with the order relieving Gen. SHERIDAN, he sent the President a letter disapproving the act in very emphatic language. Neither of these protests, of course, are likely to see light at present. Their publication is a matter resting entirely with the President, in whose possession they remain. Nevertheless, it is to be hoped Mr. JOHNSON may see the propriety of letting the country read Gen. GRANT'S opinion upon these two important acts.

The following are the official orders:

HEADQUARTERS OF THE ARMY,
ADJUTANT-GENERAL'S OFFICE,
WASHINGTON, Aug. 19, 1867.

GENERAL ORDERS No. 77.—*First*—The following orders have been received from the President:

EXECUTIVE MANSION,
WASHINGTON, D. C., Aug. 17, 1867.

Major-Gen. GEORGE H. THOMAS is hereby assigned to the command of the Fifth Military District, created by the Act of Congress passed on the 2d day of March, 1867.

Major-Gen. P. H. SHERIDAN is hereby assigned to the command of the Department of the Missouri.

Major-Gen. WINFIELD S. HANCOCK is assigned to the command of the Department of the Cumberland.

The Secretary of War *ad interim* will give the necessary instructions to carry this order into effect.

(Signed) ANDREW JOHNSON.

Second—In pursuance of the foregoing order of the President of the United States, Maj.-Gen. G. H. THOMAS will, on receipt of the order, turn over his present command to the officer next in rank to himself, and proceed to New-Orleans, La., to relieve Maj.-Gen. P. H. SHERIDAN of the command of the Fifth Military District.

Third—Major-Gen. P. H. SHERIDAN, on being relieved from the command of the Fifth Military District by Major-Gen. G. H. THOMAS, will proceed to Fort Leavenworth, Kansas, and will relieve Major-Gen. W. S. HANCOCK in the command of the Department of the Missouri.

Fourth—Major-Gen. W. S. HANCOCK, on being relieved from the command of the Department of the Missouri by Major-Gen. P. H. SHERIDAN, will proceed to Louisville, Ky., and will assume command of the Department of the Cumberland.

Fifth—Major-Gen. G. H. THOMAS will continue to execute all orders he may find in force in the Fifth Military District at the time of his assuming command of it, unless authorized by the General of the army to annul, alter, or modify them.

Sixth—Major-Gen. SHERIDAN, before relieving Major-Gen. HANCOCK, will report at these headquarters.

By command of Gen. GRANT.

Official: E. D. TOWNSEND, Assistant Adjutant-General.

THE BRADLEY-FISHER AFFAIR.

The Bar meeting called for to-day to consider the BRADLEY-FISHER affair was largely attended. The following resolution, one of a series which were adopted, expresses the sentiments and purpose of the meeting:

Resolved, That the rights and privileges of the Bar should be at all times properly maintained. But it is a grave error to regard them as independent or absolute, or to presume that they can be upheld by austerity of demeanor, or by personal vituperation or physical violence. Th ir best and only true support will be found in the firmness of moral courage, in the dignity of cultured minds and in the decorum of refined and cultivated manners; nor will a wise use of these means ever fail to secure the esteem of Courts, and to prevent "altercations" or collisions between the Bench and the Bar.

THE TURKISH MINISTER.

The Turkish Minister, M. BLACQUE, paid his respects to Mr. SEWARD to-day. He will be presented to the President on Friday.

THE FREEDMEN'S BUREAU.

It is extremely probable that Gen. HOWARD will shortly be relieved from duty as Commissioner of the Freedmen's Bureau, and mustered out of his volunteer rank, which will leave him Brigadier-General in the regular army. An officer not higher in rank than Colonel, will probably be assigned to the Bureau. The name of GORDON GRANGER is prominently mentioned. He is Colonel of one of the new infantry regiments, but has never yet joined his command.

APPRENTICES IN GOVERNMENT OFFICES.

The question of the employment of apprentices at the Government printing office, which has threatened to result in a strike, is likely to be adjusted without difficulty. The Superintendent of Public Printing will probably be allowed to manage his business in his own way.

REVENUE SEIZURES.

The Collector of Internal Revenue for this district, made a raid upon cigar dealers yesterday for violations of that section of the revenue act which imposes a penalty for having in their possession any cigar box with the stamp thereupon unconanceled. Some five hundred boxes with unconanceled stamps were seized, and a number of arrests were made.

THE MARYLAND CONSTITUTIONAL CONVENTION.

Before the Maryland Constitutional Convention adjourned it struck out of the existing declaration of rights the first article, as follows:

"ARTICLE 1. That we hold it to be self-evident that all men are created equally free; that they are endowed by their Creator with certain inalienable rights, among which are life, liberty and enjoyment of the proceeds of their own labor, and the pursuit of happiness."

Dispatches to the Associated Press.

WASHINGTON, Tuesday, Aug. 20.

BUSINESS AT THE LAND OFFICE.

The Commissioner of the General Land Office has transmitted to the United States Surveyor-General at San Francisco, for delivery to the party entitled, a patent for the private land claim in California called Los Meganos, in favor of ALICE MARSH. The patent covers 13,316 acres in Contra Costa County, about twenty miles west from Stockton. Under the sixth section of the Act of Congress, approved July 26, 1866, "granting the right of way to ditch and canal owners, over the public land, and for other purposes," the question has been presented as to the steps requisite to be taken by adverse claimants to a mine, in order to stop proceedings, and prevent the issue of a patent until the contrary is determined by the Courts. On that question Commissioner WILSON has ruled, that it will be necessary in such cases for the contestant to file with the Register and Receiver a statement showing the correct description of the mine the title to which is in dispute, also the extent of the premises in conflict, and should the statement be sustained by satisfactory proof, these officers are authorized to stay further proceedings until final adjustment shall have been had in the Courts of law. Adverse claimants are not required by law or instructions from the General Land Office to make applications for patents, nor to incur the expense of surveying and advertising in order to warrant a stay of proceedings. These applications supported by proper testimony showing interest in the conflicting claims, are deemed sufficient authority to the Registers and Receivers for a stay of further proceedings, yet the adverse showing must be filed before the expiration of the ninety days' notice. When thus filed, the Surveyor-General will refrain from ordering a survey of the claim in controversy until the contest is finally adjudicated by the judicial tribunals. In case the adjudication is favorable to the original claimant, then the survey is to be made on application by him to the Surveyor-General; but if the adverse claimant is sustained by the Court and desires a patent, in that event he must file in the local Land Office regular application for a survey and patent to the extent of his claim; or, if he so desire, he need take no steps in that direction, should there exist no adverse interests to the premises.

THE UNITED STATES STEAMER ONEIDA.

Dispatches have been received at the Navy Department from Commander J. B. CREIGHTON, of the United States steamer *Oneida*, announcing the arrival of that steamer at Porto Grande, Island of St. Vincent, on the 27th of June; officers and crew all well. He announced that he would sail on July 1 for Rio Janeiro.

PERSONAL MATTERS.

Secretary BROWNING, who was taken sick with a congestive chill yesterday, was somewhat better to-day, but unable to leave his bed.

The Turkish Minister had an interview with Secretary SEWARD to-day, and will be presented to the President probably next Friday.

ARMY BULLETIN.

Brig.-Gen. Charles H. Tompkins, Depot Quartermaster of the Department of Washington, has been ordered to Omaha. Gen. John C. McFerran has been ordered to relieve Gen. Tompkins. Col. James M. Moore, A. Q. M. in charge of the Burial Corps, has been ordered to Richmond to relieve Gen. Blunt, Quartermaster of that district. Brevet-Col. E. H. Luddington has been ordered to proceed with Gen. Totten on an expedition to inspect the Atlantic fortifications. Brevet Col. M. J. Luddington, for some time past Chief Quartermaster in the Department of Washington, has been ordered to New-Mexico. Major Francis J. Crilley has been ordered to Philadelphia. Brevet Major H. A. Royce, Chief of the Eighth Division of the Quartermaster-General's Office, and Lieut.-Col. Paine, A. Q. M., have been mustered out and honorably discharged. Col. H. Clay Wood has been ordered to Russian America with Gen. Rousseau. Brevet Lieut.-Col. Howell has been ordered to report to Gen. Ingalls in New-York City. Col. C. W. Foster, A. A. G., has been ordered to report to the Commander of the Fifth Military District.

THE CONSTITUTIONAL CONVENTION.

Fifty-fourth Day's Proceedings.

ALBANY, Tuesday, Aug. 20.

The Convention assembled at 10 o'clock, and several petitions were presented and referred.

RESOLUTIONS.

By Mr. CHURCH—That the report of the Committee on State Finances and the Committee on Canals be made the special order for Tuesday next, and for every day thereafter until disposed of. Adopted.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON CANALS.

The Committee on Canals report they have taken into consideration the various subjects referred to them, and with exceptions as to detail, which will be stated, concur in the following. [Here follows the first part of the report, Doc. 67, as published in our paper of Aug. 10.]

The Committee then proceed to state that in view of the great importance of the subjects thus considered, they present a statement of the reasons which have governed their action in submitting the article as published for adoption by the Convention.

The Committee assume that the canals are to remain the property of the State. Such was the determination of the Convention of 1846. The people ratified that decision by adopting the present Constitution. That expression was renewed in the amendment of 1854. The unanimous report of the Committee of Finance, just submitted, recommends the reinvestment of the prohibition contained in the present Constitution, and in that they entirely concur. With respect to the resolution as to the expediency of providing by an amendment to the Constitution for the leasing for a term of years the Champlain Canal or any other of the lateral State canals, they are of the opinion no such disposition is practicable. The lateral canals should be treated as part of the entire system which as a whole is self-sustaining, and highly remunerative to the State, and no part of the same can be abandoned without doing injustice to localities, and incurring the serious and mental displeasure of large portions of the people. A majority of the railroads constructed in the same localities have proved non-paying—yet no one in those sections would tolerate the idea of abandonment.

Assuming the canals are to remain State property, the question arises as to what shall be the future policy of the State in regard to this vast system of internal navigation and commerce with other States, through their agency. * *

To adopt a system which will prevent their further improvement out of their own earnings would be the height of financial folly, and inexcusable. The Committee devoted much time to the consideration of the question as to what improvements are necessary, and whether the revenues will be sufficient for the purpose of such improvements, without resort to taxation and abandonment of the existing Constitution. It appears that the enlargement of the Erie Canal, about 70 miles of the Eastern Section were constructed with what are termed "wall benches," and is from 6 to 10 feet narrower on the bottom than the remainder of the channel. The reverse should be the case, and the eastern, the wider portion to accommodate the accumulation of boats as they come in from the other canals and approach the Hudson River. The removal of the wall-benches is indispensable to secure the full navigable capacity of the Erie Canal. The locks on the Erie, Oswego and Cayuga, and Seneca and Champlain Canals do not furnish to the canals more than one-quarter of such navigable capacity. The locks will not admit of the passage of boats carrying over about 200 tons, and for considerable portions of the season of navigation they are not sufficient to accommodate the business now offered. Returns show that not over 76 or 80 per cent. of the capacity of the locks has yet been reached; but such returns and estimates are fallacious in practice. By the mode in which business is now done, the locks are taxed during the season from harvest to near the close of navigation to their full capacity, and at times beyond that.

To obviate all the difficulties it is proposed to construct a single tier of locks of sufficient size to pass boats 23 feet in width and 200 feet in length, capable of carrying 800 tons. The boats now in use can be passed through such locks with the same facility as the boats at present. The materials, when they are double locks, are nearly, perhaps quite, sufficient for the new structures. Carriers will be enabled to take freight at reduced prices, and steam can be used as a propelling power. To do an equal amount of business the number of locksage will be diminished. The change will diminish the cost of transportation, give to the public the full use of the enlarged channel of the canals, and secure to us the rapidly increasing commerce of the West and Northwest. Already other avenues are opening, and unless we act promptly and wisely the flood may pass in other directions. We must depend on this commerce for our future revenues. The history of canal transportation abundantly proves this. In 1837 there were only 56,255 tons from the West reaching tidewater, while from within the State the quantity was 221,351 tons. In 1866 from within had diminished to 367,946 tons, while that from the rest had increased to 2,235,716 tons—the largest ever received except in 1862 and 1863. With these exceptions the increase has been gradual from the opening of the Erie Canal to the present time, as is shown by figures giving the tonnage passed from 1837 to 1866. In the statistics show a like gratifying increase upon the tonnage of all the canals during the same period. In 1837 there were carried on all the canals 1,171,296 tons, valued at $55,809,268, producing a revenue for tolls of $1,292,628, while in 1866 the amount was 5,775,220 tons, valued at $270,963,676, producing a revenue of $4,495,639. In 1866 3,305,607 tons reached tidewater from the Erie and Champlain Canals. This was more than the foreign exports or imports at the City of New-York.

The increasing demands for more ample facilities of transportation require an increased capacity of the locks and aqueducts, and the removal of the wall benches. The suggestion that the increasing business can be accommodated by the construction of railroads is entirely impracticable. What can be done with all this property when transported to New-York by rail? The Atlantic docks and the immense expenditure which has been made to furnish facilities for this commerce by water—what is to be done with those? The increased expense by rail is another objection. The actual cost to the railroad from Buffalo to New-York for the past three years, as per their returns made in behalf of the New-York Railroad Company, has been double all the carriage on the Erie Canal, and in excess of the water-charges from Chicago to New-York. [Here follow tables to prove this statement.] Figures all show that the cost of repairs on railroads has been 10 per cent. of the cost of the road, while the cost of superintendence and repairs on the Erie Canal, with all the waste of money which has occurred, is only about 1-10th of that sum, or less than 1 per cent.

It will be an unfortunate day for the people of this State when they adopt and act upon the idea that the canals have "fulfilled their mission." The Central Road taxed itself to the utmost in the carrying of freight during the season, and yet only about one-fifth of that taken by the canals could be cared for. The entire cost of all the feeders and canals was $20,093,502 26, while the entire income and interest has been $20,619,510 08—leaving the canals debtor only $7,473,992 27. The canals proposed to be improved are creditors to the amount of over $38,000,000. The estimated cost for enlarging the locks is $4,000,000.

An experienced Government engineer thinks the cost will not be more than stated, or for all of the contemplated improvements as follows:

For Champlain Canal	$800,000
Enlarging locks	4,000,000
Enlarging aqueducts	300,000
Additional water and basins	400,000
Removal of wall benches	1,644,314
Total	$6,644,314

The Canal debts, payment of which has been provided for, are as follows:

Canal debt of 1846	$3,265,000
Canal enlargement debt	10,807,000
Floating debt	1,700,000
Total	$15,772,000

The following plan is submitted to meet all the obligations of the Canal debt, as well as such as are suggested to be made for improvements:

Cash on May 1, 1867, as stated by the Auditor		$2,010,734 35
Interest of do. for January, 1868		53,319 58
Net receipts for 1867	$3,500,000	
Less interest on Canal debt from April, '67, to Jan., 68	$684,858 75	
Less interest on General Fund Oct., '66, to Jan., '68	403,022 90—1,087,881	69—1,912,118 31
Balance, Jan., 1868		$3,976,474 24
Balance, Jan. 1, 1868		$3,976,472 24
Interest, one year, at 4 per cent		159,058 89
Net tolls of 1868, $3,000,000, less interest on General Fund and other ways, as well as principal, due Oct. 1, 1868		1,570,649 15
Balance due Jan., 1869		$5,616,180 28
Interest, one year, at 4 per cent		225,847 21
Net tolls for 1869, less interest on the General Fund and Canal Debt		1,772,286 75
Balance Jan. 1, 1870		$7,644,314 24
Appropriated for canals, as before stated		6,644,314 24
Balance		$1,000,000 00
Interest one year, Jan. 1871		40,000 00
Net toll for 1870, less interest on debts		1,777,286 65
Balance Jan., 1871		$2,760,286 65
Interest one year		110,411 47
Net toll for 1861, less interest on debts		$1,730,136 65
Balance for 1872		$4,550,834 77
Interest six months		93,016 70
Total		$4,743,851 47
Principal of Canal debt, July, 1871		2,800,000 00
Balance		$1,943,851 47
Interest six months		38,877 03
Net tolls for 1872, less interest on debts		$1,864,136 65
Total		$3,846,865 15
Principal canal debt in 1873		1,000,000 00
Balance, January, 1873		$2,846,865 15
Interest 6 months		56,937 30
Total		$2,903,802 45
Principal canal debt, July 31, 1873		2,750 00
Interest on do. 6 months		$153,802 45
Net tolls for 1873, less interest		3,076 06
Total		$2,270,460 15
Principal Canal debt, Nov. 1, 1873		2,250,000 00
Borrow at 6 per cent. Jan. 1, for three years		20,460 15
Canal debt, Jan. 1, 1874		4,500,000 00
Balance on hand January, 1874		3,520,460 15
Interest 6 months to June 1, 1874		3,000,000 00
Net tolls for 1874, less interest, debts, &c.		520,460 15
Total		20,818 41
Principal, Oct. 1, 1875		$2,282,331 65
Balance Jan. 1, 1875		$2,823,610 21
Interest one year		$573,610 21
Netted from tolls, 1875		22,944 41
Total		2,383,581 65
Principal due Oct. 1, 1875		$2,980,136 27
Interest for 1875		500,000 00
Netted from tolls, 1876		$2,480,136 27
Jan. 1, 1867, total		99,205 45
Loan made Jan. 1, 1874		2,413,581 65
Total		$4,992,923 37
Netted from tolls, 1877		3,500,000 00
Balance January, 1868		$1,492,923 37
Interest for 1868		1,738,081 65
Netted from 1878, after paying debts, &c., &c.		$3,230,721 95
Total		131,228 88
Principal of general fund debt in 1879		265,561 65
Total		$5,068,512 48
		5,636,622 22
		$431,890 26

Should the annual revenues increase at the rate expected, the loans cared for will not become necessary, but the debt will have been paid by the year 1877. It will be observed the above proposed to supersede the State tax to pay the interest on the floating debt, and to that extent relieve the people. The capacity to accommodate forwarders will do far more to attract tonnage to the canals than any adjustment of tolls which can be made.

The experiment of a reduction of tolls in 1858 resulted in no substantial increase, while the State lost $1,998,966.

In considering the subject of the management and care of the canals, the Commissioners think that a concentration of power, and a clearly-defined responsibility, furnish the surest guarantees for a more economical and efficient administration, and this may be secured by placing them under the charge of a single superintendent, with assistants—such superintendent to be appointed by the Governor, with the advice and approval of the Senate.

The Committee oppose giving the revenues of the canals for the payment of bounty and war debts, and furnish arguments in support of their position.

The question of imposing tolls on railroad corporations and compelling uniform rate of freight is considered as more proper to be referred for legislative action.

All of which is respectfully submitted, &c., &c.

Mr. CHAMPLAIN, from same committee, presented a minority report, submitting that he wholly dissents from the article reported, so far as the same refers to the management of the canals and the financial policy to be inaugurated.

Messrs. SEYMOUR and BERGEN, from the same Committee, submitted that they agree with the majority in the opinion that there are great and radical defects in the system of superintendence, and care of the canals of the State. To remedy the evils they unite in recommending the appointment of a Superintendent of Public Works, associated with four assistants—but desire him elected by the people, and such Superintendent to have power to appoint his four assistants. Such officer to continue in office for eight years at a salary to be fixed by Legislature.

The Committee appointed Aug. 8 to inquire into the capacity of the canals as they now exist, and when the improvements contemplated are made, made a lengthy report to-day. Their conclusions may be summed up as follows: They are of the opinion that 3,000,000 of tons annually eastward is the full extent of the Erie Canal with the present locks, while with the proposed ones, and of one tier only, the capacity will be largely increased, and with the addition of steam, trebled; that the prism of the canal is well adapted to boats 200 feet long and 23 feet wide, when improved as proposed by the Committee on Canals.

(Signed) E. S. PROSSER,
JAMES A. BELL,
A. B. TAPPEN.

Mr. PROSSER presented the testimony taken by a sub-committee with reference to the present capacity of the canals.

Mr. CHAMPLAIN presented a minority report dissenting from the conclusions of the Committee relative to the canal financial policy.

Mr. SEYMOUR presented another minority report relative to the management of the canals.

Mr. MAGEE said he regretted that he was compelled to dissent from the conclusions of the Canal Committee, and he would present his views at length at some future time.

Mr. BECKWITH also dissented from the conclusions arrived at by the Committee.

BANKING AND CORPORATIONS.

The Convention then went into the Committee of the Whole on the report of the Committee on Banking and Corporations.

The pending question was on the amendment prohibiting the consolidation of railroad corporations where the aggregate capital exceeds $2,000,000.

Mr. ROBERTSON opposed the amendment.

Mr. CURTIS advocated its adoption.

Mr. EVARTS thought such an amendment should not be placed in the Constitution.

Mr. DUGANNE opposed the amendment.

Mr. CONGER moved to amend: The transportation of passengers and freight through and from any railroad crossing, or uniting with any other railroad in the State, on just and equal terms of compensation, shall be secured by law. Lost.

Mr. VAN CAMPEN moved to amend so as to prohibit the consolidation of parallel or competing lines, and providing that no continuous lines shall be consolidated except by general laws.

Mr. DALY favored this proposition.

Mr. J. BROOKS hoped Mr. VAN CAMPEN'S amendment would be accepted.

Mr. BEADLE earnestly opposed any constitutional provisions calculated to injure the appreciation of capital that would result in the public good.

Mr. PRICE was in favor of the amendment proposed by Mr. A. J. PARKER.

Mr. LAPHAM thought it wise to make provision against the overshadowing power of corporations and the influence of great monopolies.

Mr. VAN CAMPEN'S amendment was lost. Yeas 40, nays 47.

Mr. A. J. PARKER'S amendment prohibiting the consolidation of railroad corporations, where the aggregate capital shall exceed $20,000,000, was adopted. Yeas 49, nays 44.

Mr. BELL moved to amend as follows: The capital stock of all corporations organized under the provisions of this article shall be fully paid up in cash, and all such corporations now existing or that may hereafter be formed shall be required to make annual statements to the Secretary of State, showing in detail their assets and liabilities and their income and expenditures. Lost.

Mr. MONELL moved to amend as follows: Provision shall be made by law requiring all corporations created by special act since the 1st day of January, 1830, to form under such general laws as now are or which hereafter may be passed. Lost.

Mr. ORDYKE moved to strike out the following: The Legislature shall have no power to pass any law sanctioning in any manner, directly or indirectly, the suspension of specie payments by any person or corporation.

Mr. GREELEY moved to substitute the following: The Legislature shall have no power to impair the obligation of contracts, nor to legalize the violation of any contract, whether by a corporation, a partnership, or by a natural person. Lost.

Mr. ORDYKE'S motion to strike out was lost.

Mr. GERRY moved to amend, as follows: When there is no agreement for a different rate of interest of money the same shall be at such rate as may be by law provided, but the Legislature shall not restrict the right of parties to contract for payment and receipt of any rate of interest. Lost.

Mr. GANTIN moved to amend, as follows: In case of the insolvency of any bank or banking association the bill-holders thereof shall be entitled to preference on payments over all other creditors of such banks or associations. Adopted.

Mr. ORDYKE moved the following substitute: No bank of issue shall be hereafter established under the authority of this State.

The Convention here took a recess until 7½ o'clock P. M.

EVENING SESSION.

The Convention met at 7:30 o'clock.

The pending question was on the amendment offered by Mr. ORDYKE, prohibiting the Legislature from hereafter creating any bank of issue. Lost.

Mr. GERRY moved to amend so that stockholders in any corporation shall only be liable to the amount of the stock held by them. Lost.

Mr. BRADLE moved to amend as follows: "The stockholders in every corporation, and joint stock association for banking purposes issuing bank notes, or any kind of paper credits to circulate as money, shall be individually liable to the amount of their respective share or shares of stock in any such corporation or association for all its debts and liabilities of every kind." Adopted.

Mr. CHERRENO moved to amend so that the stockholders of every banking institution or corporation transacting business in this State shall be individually and personally liable for his proportion of all debts and liabilities of such institution or corporation. Lost.

Mr. PAIGE moved to amend by adding the following additional section: "The Legislature shall pass laws providing a scheme or plan which will, so far as practicable, secure an equal representation to all the stock or stockholders of such corporations in respect to the number of shares of stock owned by them respectively, and a direct personal representation to each of the said stock, or shareholders in the Board of Directors, Trustees or Managers of their respective corporations."

Mr. FIELD moved the following substitute for Mr. PAIGE'S amendment: "The Legislature shall provide by law that all corporations composed of shareholders shall be required to so conduct their elections of Directors as to enable such number of shares to elect a Director as bears to the whole number of shares represented at the election the same ratio as ninety bears to the number of Directors to be chosen." Lost.

Mr. PAIGE'S amendment was lost, only 29 voting in its favor.

The Committee of the Whole then rose, and reported the article on banking and corporations to the Convention, and it was referred to the Committee of Revision.

Mr. SCHELL moved to reconsider the vote referring the article to the Committee on Revision, but it was not entertained.

Mr. WEED said such a motion would be in order to-morrow morning, and moved to adjourn. Carried.

Adjourned till 10 o'clock to-morrow morning.

AFFAIRS ON THE PLAINS.

Fort Hays Surrounded by Indians—Work Stopped on the Pacific Railroad—Large Quantities of Stock Stolen by Indians—An Expedition Sent Against Them.

Special Dispatch to the New-York Times.

FORT HAYS, Tuesday, Aug. 20.

The Indians are all around us and very troublesome. Work has been stopped on the railroad beyond this point for the last week. The Indians have been firing at every person venturing beyond the fort, and have succeeded in taking a great deal of stock. To-day a strong expedition has left this fort against them, composed of 300 men of the Volunteer Kansas Cavalry and thirty regular troops, Capt. ARMES. The expedition designs striking some of the Indian villages on the Saline River, ten days' march from here. No wagons are taken, and the troops go prepared to move rapidly. More troops are demanded here, or the Territory will have to be abandoned. The commanding officer of this fort is completely crippled, being surrounded by savages and having hardly a corporal's guard of men.

Fight Between Pawnees and Cheyennes—Pawnees Victorious.

ST. LOUIS, Tuesday, Aug. 20.

The battle reported, from Omaha, as having taken place between 200 Pawnee scouts and a large number of Sioux, turns out to have been a fight between 50 Pawnees and 100 Cheyenes, at Plum Creek, in which the Pawnees took fifteen scalps, and captured forty head of cattle and two prisoners. Many Cheyennes are supposed to have been killed and wounded but carried off by their comrades. The Pawnees are now south of the Platte River hunting Cheyenes. Seven Indians were killed by lightning at the Yanktown Agency on the 10th inst. The Sioux and Crows had a battle near Fort Stevenson, in which the latter were victorious. Several were killed on both sides.

THE PACIFIC COAST.

Shipment of Treasure by the Sacramento—Crops in Oregon—Indian Troubles in Idaho.

SAN FRANCISCO, Monday, Aug. 19.

The steamship *Sacramento*, for Panama today, took only $287,422 in treasure, nearly all for New-York, the smallest shipment in two years.

The political canvass throughout the State is the most active that has been known for many years.

The demand for gold for duties last week was $214,000.

There have been no fresh arrivals lately. There are 64 vessels now in this port, exclusive of schooners and domestic coasters, and 80 per cent. of the tonnage is already under engagement. Grain and Wheat are still coming forward freely.

Rev. Dr. STEBBINS yesterday inaugurated religious services in the theatre. He had an immense audience, and preached a "broad church" sermon.

The steamer *Continental* has arrived from Oregon. Advices from that State represent that the general crops are good. The hay crop is deficient. The experiments in raising flax have resulted very successfully.

Gen. CROOKS had two engagements with the Indians last week in the Pueblo Mountains, in Idaho Territory, routing them with the aid of friendly savages. The Arizona Indians are plundering and murdering as badly as ever.

SAN FRANCISCO, Tuesday, Aug. 20.

The steamship *Continental*, from Portland, brought $210,000 in treasure.

The steamship *Active*, which sailed from Victoria for this port, last evening, has on board $202,000 in gold from the north mines.

The ship *Der West* took out for Hong Kong gold and silver to the value of $388,000.

The Mexican Minister in California will issue a manifest approving the execution of MAXIMILIAN.

Wheat, $1 75@$1 80. Legal tenders, 71¼@72.

Registration in North and South Carolina.

COLUMBIA, S. C., Tuesday, Aug. 20.

There were 102 persons registered to-day, of whom 42 were whites and 60 colored.

WILMINGTON, N. C., Tuesday, Aug. 20.

Registration in the Second Ward was continued to-day, the result being 85 whites, 68 blacks. Total for two days, 143 whites, 281 blacks.

CHARLESTON, S. C., Tuesday, Aug. 20.

Three hundred and sixty-one persons were registered to-day, of whom 227 were whites and 134 colored.

Death of a Physician in Boston—Arrest of a Mail Robber.

BOSTON, Tuesday, Aug. 20.

Dr. J. MASON WARREN, a well-known surgeon and physician in this city, died at his residence in Park-street yesterday.

A man giving his name as WILLIAM ALLEN, was arrested on the steamer *New-England*, from St. John, N. B., this afternoon, for cutting open the St. John mail-bag, and attempting to steal the contents.

Yellow Fever at New-Orleans and Galveston.

NEW-ORLEANS, Tuesday, Aug. 20.

There were twelve deaths from yellow fever in this city on Sunday evening and yesterday. There were also two cases of cholera. The daily average at New-Iberia, La., since the appearance of the fever, has been four deaths, out of a population of 4,000.

GALVESTON, Texas, Tuesday, Aug. 20.

A. M. CLEGG and Mrs. Capt. W. TALBERT of New-York, were among the interments to-day.

The death of THEODORE MIX was erroneously reported yesterday.

There were thirty interments on Monday.

Distressing Casualty in New-Hampshire.

DOVER, N. H., Tuesday, Aug. 20.

Yesterday morning a party of eleven persons started in a boat for an island in Bow Lake, in Strafford, N. H., to pick berries. The boat was capsized and the following-named persons were drowned:

Mrs. JEREMIAH DAVIS and daughter, two daughters of Mr. JOHN DAY, a daughter of Mr. ALFRED PENDAR and a daughter of Mr. THOMAS GRAY.

The bodies have been recovered.

Suicide of a Clergyman in Richmond, Vermont.

BURLINGTON, Vt., Tuesday, Aug. 20.

Rev. MARK P. LADD, a representative to the General Assembly from Worcester, committed suicide by hanging at Richmond, Vt., on Saturday. He was in independent circumstances. The Coroner's verdict was suicide from insanity.

Civil Rights in Texas.

GALVESTON, Texas, Tuesday, Aug. 20.

An order has been issued forbidding distinction by railroads and other chartered companies, which are common carriers, in relation to passengers, on account of color, race, or previous condition.

Appointment of Sheriff at Galveston.

GALVESTON, Texas, Tuesday, Aug. 20.

A. B. HALL, of Harris County, has been appointed Sheriff, *vice* PROUDFOOT, who absconded.

A Brilliant Meteor.

Correspondence of the New-York Times.

CLARENDON SPRINGS, Vt.,
Monday, Aug. 19, 1867.

About 10 o'clock this evening a most brilliant and magnificent meteor was witnessed by many persons in this vicinity.

It started from a point not far below the zenith, and passed swiftly down the western sky toward the horizon. Its appearance was that of a large ball of yellow fire, and its brilliancy was so intense that as it passed the whole landscape was lighted up as by a vivid flash of lightning.

MR. H. W. BEECHER'S RELIGIOUS VIEWS.—The *Examiner & Chronicle* of this week publishes a very interesting sermon by Mr. BEECHER, preached just before his Summer vacation, in which he makes a very explicit statement of his religious views. He said in conclusion:

"For twenty years I have unfolded the truth among you, and not without results, I know; and those results have been due, not to a good understanding, not to versatility, not to imagination, not to playing with men's sympathies and tastes, but to the fact that down deeper than everything else, I believe in the Lord Jesus Christ. I have not made that belief ostensible in words, perhaps, as many do; but it is that which has constituted the power of my ministry."

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AUGUST 20, 1867.

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CUBA COUNTY,
SANTA CLARA COUNTY,
PLATTE COUNTY,
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CENTRAL RAILROAD, &c., &c., &c.,
Bought and Sold on Commission.
Apply to GEO. C. DUNBAR, No. 7 Wall-st.

SEVEN PER CENT. FIRST MORTGAGE GUARANTEED
RAILROAD BONDS.
The UNION TRUST COMPANY of NEW-YORK, as agent, offer for sale the Bonds of the UNION and LOGANSPORT RAILROAD COMPANY.
These Bonds are First Mortgage Bonds, secured by an ample sinking fund, and guaranteed by a consolidated Railroad Company of 375 miles of central trunk road, and are believed to constitute first-class permanent investment bonds.
For full particulars and terms, apply at office of
UNION TRUST COMPANY,
NO. 73 BROADWAY, corner of Rector-st'
W. F. ALDRICH, Secretary.

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Exchange on London and Paris,
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Stocks and Bonds bought and sold
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Issue circular letters of credit to travelers in all parts of Europe, &c., &c. Also commercial credits.

OFFICE OF THE TRUSTEES OF CREDITORS AND STOCKHOLDERS OF THE OHIO AND MISSISSIPPI R. R. CO., (EASTERN DIVISION.) NO. 68 WALL-ST., PHILA. and N. Y., Aug. 20, 1867.
TO THE CERTIFICATE HOLDERS.—A special meeting of the holders of certificates issued by this trust, will be held at the Office of the Trustees, No. 68 Wall-st., New-York, on TUESDAY, the 10th day of September next, at noon, to take final action upon the closing of the trust and the reorganization of the Ohio and Mississippi Railroad Company, as the trust deed requires that three-fourths in interest of the owners, or their legal representatives, of both preferred and common certificates shall be present or voting, to carry out the object above stated, certificate holders are earnestly requested to have their certificates transferred to their names, and to be present at the meeting in person or by proxy. The transfer-books will be closed at 2 o'clock P. M., on Saturday, the 31st of August, and remain closed until the final adjournment of the meeting. The Trustees only await the delivery of certificate holders at the meeting now called, to close the trust and reorganize the Company. By order of the Trustees, JOHN CAMPBELL, Chairman.

THE STOCKHOLDERS OF THE NEW-YORK, PROVIDENCE AND BOSTON STEAMBOAT COMPANY are hereby notified that the Stonington Steamboat Company has been organized, and a portion of the stock of said Company has been appropriated to be distributed among such of the stockholders of the New-York, Providence and Boston Railroad Company as may take their proportion of the increased capital of that Company allotted to them.
Parties wishing to avail themselves of this privilege will please make application to Messrs. M. MORGAN'S SONS, on or before the 10th September, proximo, at which time said stock will be distributed, pro rata, among them. JAMES I. DAY, President.

OFFICE OF THE NATIONAL TRUST COMPANY OF THE CITY OF NEW-YORK,
No. 120 BROADWAY, Aug. 21, 1867.
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, PURSUANT to charter, that the fifth instalment of $10 on each share of stock in the National Trust Company is due on the second day of September next, and holders will please call at the office of the Company, and pay their installment, and also bring with them the original receipt for first installment, in order that this payment may be receipted thereon.
JAMES MERRELL, Secretary.

TO THE HOLDERS OF THE SECOND mortgage bonds of the Cumberland Coal and Iron Company.
The undersigned will receive proposals to the 24th inst. inclusive, at the office of the Cumberland Coal and Iron Company, corner of Broadway and Wall-st, for the sale to them of $2,000 of said bonds for the purpose of the Sinking Fund.
JAMES C. BELL,
FREDERICK A. COE, } Trustees.
CHAS. A. RAPPALLO,
NEW-YORK, Aug. 14, 1867.

STOCKHOLDERS IN THE ERIE RAILWAY COMPANY who favor such a change in the administration as may secure to the owners of the property some regular income out of its very large present and prospective earnings, are requested to send their proxies to any one of the undersigned.
WORK, DAVIS & BARTON,
D. D. MORGAN,
ALEXANDER SCHELL.

THE WORLD'S PAPER STOCK COMPANY.—NOTICE.—The undersigned have been appointed receivers of the property and assets of the above-named corporation, all persons indebted to said corporation are requested to pay the same to the undersigned, and all persons having claims against said corporation will present them at his office, No. 51 Beaver-st., New-York City.
ROBERT FRANCIS, Receiver.

THE FIRST MORTGAGE BONDS OF the Union Pacific Railroad Company, (the United States Government holding second lien,) bearing six per cent. interest, payable in gold coin, are offered for sale at the low price of ninety, and the accrued interest added from July 1, by JOHN J. CISCO & SON, No. 33 Wall-st., Special Agents of the Company.

FOR SALE—CHRISTIAN COUNTY AND HENDERSON County 7 per cent. Kentucky Bonds; interest payable semi-annually in this City. These are first-class securities. Apply to J. T. BOYLE, President of the Evansville, Henderson and Nashville Railroad, at the office of GEO. T. M. DAVIS, No. 47 Exchange-place.

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT BONDS, having thirty years to run, bearing six per cent. interest in lawful money. These Bonds are regarded by Savings and other institutions, for a long investment as the most desirable of all the Government Securities. For sale by JOHN J. CISCO & SON, No. 33 Wall-st.

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NO. 20 WALL-ST.,
CORNER OF NASSAU-ST., NEW-YORK.
We buy and sell at the most liberal current prices, and keep on hand a full supply of
GOVERNMENT BONDS OF ALL ISSUES,
SEVEN-THIRTIES
AND
COMPOUND INTEREST NOTES.
And execute orders for purchase and sale of
STOCKS, BONDS AND GOLD.
We have added to our office a Retail Department for the accommodation of the public demand for investment in and exchanges of Government Securities, the purchase of GOLD and INTEREST COUPONS, and the sale of INTERNAL REVENUE STAMPS.
SEVEN-THIRTIES CONVERTED INTO FIVE-TWENTIES AT THE MOST FAVORABLE RATES.
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First Mortgage Bonds.
These Bonds bear interest at the rate of SIX PER CENT. IN GOLD, and are sold at NINETY PER CENT. and accrued interest from July 1, in currency.
STOCKS, BONDS, GOVERNMENT SECURITIES, AND GOLD BOUGHT AND SOLD on commission. Interest allowed on balances.

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NO. 18 NASSAU-ST.
Buy and sell at market rates:
SIX PER CENT. BONDS OF 1881; TEN-FORTIES; FIVE-TWENTY BONDS, ALL ISSUES; SEVEN-THIRTY NOTES, ALL SERIES; COMPOUND INTEREST NOTES, AND GOLD AND SILVER COIN.
Registered interest collected and Coupons cashed without charge.
7.30 Notes, all series, taken in exchange for the new Consolidated 5-20 Bonds, on terms advantageous to holders of 7.30s.
Merchants and Importers supplied with Coin for customs duties at lowest market rates.
Orders for purchase and sale of all miscellaneous securities promptly executed. Mail and telegraph orders will receive our personal attention. Deposits received and interest allowed on balances. Collections made on all points, with quick returns.
RODMAN, FISK & CO.

BROWN BROTHERS & Co.,
NO. 59 WALL-ST.,
ISSUE COMMERCIAL AND TRAVELERS' CREDITS FOR USE IN THIS COUNTRY AND ABROAD

ST. LOUIS, ALTON AND TERRE HAUTE RAILROAD CO., NO. 12 WALL-ST., NEW YORK, Aug. 20, 1867.
A MAJORITY IN INTEREST OF THE holders of the preferred second mortgage and income second mortgage bonds, and also of the preferred stock of this Company, having consented in the manner provided by the deed of trust to an increase of the preferred stock of this Company by an issue of three thousand four hundred additional shares of the same character as the existing stock, to enable the Directors to settle with the present holders of preferred stock for any preference or claim over the common stock which may have accrued on the same up to Jan. 1, 1867; notice is hereby given that the Directors will issue in settlement of such claim one share of said new stock for every five shares of the existing stock to the holders thereof, on the 2d day of September next; that for the purpose of ascertaining the persons entitled to the same, the transfer-books of the preferred stock will remain open till the 2d day of September next, inclusive, when they will be closed, and so remain till the 10th day of September following. After which the certificates of new stock will be ready for delivery.
By order of the Board of Directors,
H. C. BRYANT, Secretary.

UNITED STATES TREASURY, Aug. 19, 1867.
SCHEDULES OF THIRTY-SEVEN-TEN-40 COUPONS, due Sept. 1, 1867, will now be received for examination at the United States Treasury.
E. H. VAN DYCK, Assistant Treasurer.

WATERTOWN CITY (WIS.) BONDS WANTED.—The highest prices paid for Watertown and all other securities issued in Wisconsin, Iowa, Illinois, &c., including farm mortgages, corporation bonds, &c. Apply to or address GEO. C. DUNBAR, No. 7 Wall-st.

$5,000 WANTED BY A PERSON that has had long experience in Wall-st.; he will give the business his best attention for a share of the profits; the best of references given. Address O. P. R., Box No. 107 Times Office.

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METROPOLITAN SAVINGS BANK,
Now occupying their
NEW MARBLE FIRE-PROOF BANKING HOUSE,
Nos. 2 and 3 Madison Avenue
Opposite Cooper Institute.
DEPOSITS of $1 to $5,000 received, and
SIX PER CENT. INTEREST, free from tax, allowed on ALL SUMS from $5 to $5,000.
Bank open from 10 A. M. to 2 P. M., also on Mondays, Wednesdays and Saturdays, from 5 to 7 P. M.
ISAAC T. SMITH, President.
T. W. LILLIE, Secretary.

THIRD-AVENUE SAVINGS BANK,
Corner 3d-av. and 26th-st.,
Open daily from 10 A. M. to 3 P. M., and on Monday, Wednesday and Saturday evenings from 6 to 8.
Deposits from $1 to $5,000 received and SIX PER CENT. INTEREST paid.

NEW-YORK SAVINGS BANK, 8TH-AV., cor. of 14th-st.—Six per cent. interest paid on all sums from $5 to $5,000. Deposits made on or before Sept. 1 will draw interest from Sept. 1.
R. H. MACLAY, Pres't.
R. H. BULL, Sec'y. S. S. CONSTANT, Vice-Pres't.

DIVIDENDS.

STUYVESANT INSURANCE COMPANY.
TWENTY-FIFTH DIVIDEND.
A dividend of Five per cent., free of Government tax, has been declared, payable on and after the 15th inst., at No. 122 Bowery.
WM. F. LEGGETT, Secretary.
AUG. 17, 1867.

OFFICE OF THE
GEBHARD FIRE INSURANCE CO.,
No. 141 Broadway.
JULY 25, 1867.
CASH CAPITAL.....$200,000
SURPLUS.....61,231
FIFTEENTH DIVIDEND.—The Board of Directors have this day declared a semi-annual dividend of FIVE (5) PER CENT., payable, free of Government tax, on and after the 1st day of August.
JOHN R. SMITH, Secretary.

IRVING
FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY,
OFFICE, No. 9 WALL-ST.
CASH CAPITAL.....$200,000
ASSETS, JULY 1, 1867.....308,172
LIABILITIES.....107,172
NEW-YORK, August 5, 1867.
The Board of Directors have this day declared a Dividend of Five per cent. and Government Tax, payable on demand.
MARTIN L. CROWELL, President.
JAMES M. WILSON, Secretary.

OFFICE OF THE CHICAGO AND ALTON RAILROAD COMPANY, CHICAGO, Aug. 14, 1867.
DIVIDEND NOTICE.—THE STOCKHOLDERS of the Chicago and Alton Railroad Company are hereby notified that a dividend of FIVE PER CENT., free of Government tax, has been declared on the preferred and common stock of said Company, payable at the office of the Company's agents, Messrs. M. K. JESUP & CO., No. 12 Pine-st., New-York, on Monday, the 2d day of September next.
The books of the Company will be closed at the close of business hours on the 21st inst., and reopened on the morning of Sept. 3.
W. M. LARRABEE,
Secretary and Treasurer.

OFFICE OF THE STERLING FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, No. 155 BROADWAY,
NEW-YORK, Aug. 14, 1867.
THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS HAVE this day declared a dividend of THREE (3) per cent., free of Government tax, payable on and after the 17th inst.
A. L. SOULARD,
Secretary.

MISCELLANEOUS.

TUTHILL GATHERING,
The meeting of the descendants of John Tuthill, the Pilgrim, will be held at New-Suffolk, L. I., Aug. 28, at 10 o'clock A. M. The way of getting there is by steamboat or railroad.
The steamboat RIVER QUEEN, Capt. GIBBS, leaves Pier No. 28 Peck-slip, New-York, Tuesday at 5 o'clock P. M., arriving in New-Suffolk next morning.
The Long Island Railroad's regular trains, leave Jamesslip, New-York, daily at 7½ A. M. and 3 P. M., stopping at Cutchogue, two miles from the place of meeting.
On arriving at New-Suffolk or at Cutchogue station, strangers will inquire for Austin B. Tuthill, member of the Committee, who will give them all information desired.
If Wednesday proves stormy, the meeting will take place the next fair day.
IRA TUTHILL,
Chairman of Committee.

TO ALL HOP PRODUCERS AND DEALERS.
The following resolution was passed at the Seventh Brewers' Congress at Chicago, June 6, 1867, viz.:
Resolved, That all casks and bales of hops should be marked by the planter with the gross and the net weight, and that only the net weight should be paid for; that the members and associations pledge themselves not to buy any hops unless thus marked, or of any dealers who do not conform to these requirements; that they should go into effect when the new crop came into market in the fall.

ROUND-CORNERED PLAYING CARDS at all stationers and fancy goods dealers. These cards will not spoil, and soon be more than the ordinary sharp-pointed cards commonly used. Wholesale at the manufactory, SAMUEL HART & CO., No. 43 John-st., New-York.

FOR SALE—TWO NEW CANVAS TENTS AND one second-hand; sold for half their value; sold by the tent of yard. Apply to R. CURTIS in the painting shop on 3d Street-st., between Vandike and Plainfield sts., Jersey City.

PROPOSALS.

GOVERNMENT SALE OF THE MILITARY RAILROAD AT BRAZOS SANTIAGO, TEXAS.
OFFICE CHIEF QUARTERMASTER, FIFTH MILITARY DISTRICT, NEW-ORLEANS, La., July 5, 1867.
Sealed proposals will be received at this office until 12 M., Aug. 31, 1867, for the purchase of all the right, title and interest of the United States in and to the United States Military Railroad from Brazos Santiago to White's Ranche, Texas.
The sale will include the entire track and sidings, buildings, water stations, turn-tables, &c., the railroad materials, and supplies pertaining to the road, together with the rolling stock, cars, machinery, and other equipment, as follows:
4 Claw Bars.
3 Spike Bars.
2 Pinch Bars.
4 Square Brasses.
2 Sh-ping Boxes.
7 Flat Cars.
120 Railroad Chairs.
26,000 Pounds Railroad Chairs.
1 Push Car Frame.
2 Crow Feet.
4 Railroad Frogs and Switch Stands
1 Track Gauge.
9,560 Pounds Railroad Iron.
1 Locomotive and Tender.
1 Locomotive.
1 Head-light Locomotive.
14 Coupling Links.
4 Spike Mauls.
2 Spike Punches.
586 Pounds Car Springs.
2 Jackscrews and Levers.
269 Pounds Railroad Spikes.
8½ Miles Railroad Track.
2 Turn Tables.
625 Cross Ties.
1 Fire Tool.
2 Push Car Wheels.
2 Sets Wrenches
1 Cooking Stove.
1 Stove.
2 Hand Cars.
1 Fish Bar.
The sale will not include the title to the land, which does not belong to the United States, nor the bridge over the Rio Grande.
This road is about ten miles in length, and extends from Brazos Santiago to White's Ranche, on the Rio Grande. From this point connection is made by steamer with Brownsville and Matamoras.
The route is the shortest and best for the immense traffic between the Gulf of Mexico and the interior of Southern Texas and Northern Mexico, and the communication by rail alone can readily be extended to Brownsville.
The road already completed saves thirty miles of difficult and tortuous navigation. The road is five feet gauge, good ties, T rail, and full spiked.
The property may be inspected on application to Capt. C. H. Hoyt, A. Q. M., Brownsville, Texas, and any information desired may be obtained from that officer, or from the office of the Chief Quartermaster, Fifth Military District, New-Orleans, La.
A condition of the sale will be that transportation shall be furnished for all Government troops and supplies whenever required, at rates not to exceed those paid by the United States to other railroad companies in the Fifth Military District.
The terms of payment accepted will be those considered the most favorable to the Government.
Ten per cent. cash, in Government funds, to be paid on acceptance of proposal.
The Government reserves the right to reject any or all proposals.
Proposals should be indorsed "Proposals for the purchase of Brazos Santiago and Rio Grande Railroad," and addressed "Brevet Lieut.-Col. A. J. McGONNIGLE, U. S. Army, officer Chief Quartermaster, Fifth Military District, New-Orleans, La.
A. J. McGONNIGLE,
Brevet Lieut.-Col. and A. Q. M., U. S. Army.
In charge of office.

CHIEF QUARTERMASTER'S OFFICE, SECOND MILITARY DISTRICT, NORTH AND SOUTH CAROLINA, CHARLESTON, S. C., Aug. 17, 1867.
SEALED PROPOSALS WILL BE RECEIVED at this office until 12 o'clock M. on MONDAY, the 16th day of September, 1867, at which time they will be opened, for the purchase of the following property:
Wreck of steamer *Boston*, in Ashepoo River.
Wreck of steamer *George Washington*, in Cooaw River.
Wreck of steamer *Chasseur*, in Scull Creek.
Wreck of steamer *Randolph*, in Charleston Harbor.
Wreck of steamer *Stivers*, in Charleston Harbor.
Bidders will state the amount offered for each wreck. The wrecks will be sold separately and to the highest bidder, unless such bid be deemed unreasonable.
Proposals must be addressed to the undersigned, and marked "Proposals for purchase of wrecks."
R. O. TYLER,
Bvt. Maj.-Gen. Dept. Quartermaster-Gen., U. S. A.

ARMY SUPPLIES.
OFFICE OF ARMY CLOTHING AND EQUIPAGE, No. 29 BROADWAY, NEW-YORK, Aug. 15, 1867.
Sealed proposals will be received at this office until 12 o'clock M. on FRIDAY the 23d inst., for furnishing by contract at such times and in such quantities as may be required at and for the use of this depot until May 1, 1868: Red Ash Coal, furnace and egg size.
Proposals must be accompanied by a proper guarantee for the faithful performance of a contract.
The United States reserves the right to reject all bids deemed objectionable.
Proposals should be indorsed "Proposals for furnishing Coal," and addressed to
Brev. Maj.-Gen. D. H. VINTON,
Asst. Q. M. Gen. U. S. Army.

NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS.
GENERAL OFFICE OF THE RONDOUT AND OSWEGO RAILROAD COMPANY,
KINGSTON, N. Y., Aug. 12, 1867.
Proposals will be received at this office until Sept. 20, 1867, for the grading, masonry, bridging and iron of the Eastern Division of this Road. Maps, plans and specifications will be furnished on and after Sept. 1, 1867, by the Chief Engineer, William E. Morris, Esq., at Kingston, N. Y. All other information furnished at this office.
THOMAS CORNELL, President.

RAILROAD CONSTRUCTION.
Proposals will be received at my office, No. 78 Cedar-st., New-York, for constructing earthwork and trestlework of two miles of railroad near the City.
HAMILTON E. TWEDALE, Civil Engineer.

I. O. O. F. OFFICE CORRESPONDING SECRETARY R. W. G. L. of U. S. BALTIMORE.
The undersigned, pursuant to the 28th by-law of the R. W. Grand Lodge of the United States, hereby invites PROPOSALS FOR PRINTING the Session Journal of that body at its approaching annual session, to be held in the City of New-York, on the third Monday of September, 1867. The printer to furnish the necessary paper, and to stitch and cover the Journal ready for distribution; the printing to be done according to the style of the Revised Journals of former sessions, which may be seen at the office of Grand Secretary Langdon, Odd Fellows' Hall, corner Grand and Centre sts., New-York, from 6 to 9 o'clock P. M.; the matter to be arranged, and the plates to be delivered to the Grand Secretary in good order as soon as the requisite number of copies are struck off, which will not be less than 10,000. Parties having the above please to state proposals for the same as follows: For composition, plain, figure work, and rule and figure work, per 1,000 ems; including the furnishing of stereotype plates, of size uniform with the Journals of Proceedings, from such figure work, per token. Of 16 octavo pages, for the printing of 10,000 copies; also, price for additional copies per token. Folding, stitching and trimming, in good paper cover

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THE GENERAL TRANSATLANTIC COMPANY'S MAIL STEAMSHIPS BETWEEN NEW-YORK AND HAVRE, CALLING AT BREST.

The splendid new vessels on this favorite route for the Continent will sail from Pier No. 50 North River, as follows:

PEREIRE.....DUCHESNE.....SATURDAY, Aug. 24
VILLE DE PARIS.SURMONT.....SATURDAY, Sept. 7
EUROPE.....LEMARIE.....SATURDAY, Sept. 21

PRICE OF PASSAGE (including wine) payable in gold or equivalent in currency, TO BREST OR HAVRE.

First cabin, $160; second cabin, $90.

TO PARIS,

including railway tickets, furnished on board, First cabin, $165; second cabin, $93

Baggage checked through to Paris.

Medical attendance free of charge.

These steamers do not carry steerage passengers.

American travelers going to or returning from the continent of Europe, by taking the steamers of this line, avoid unnecessary delay from transit by English railways and crossing the channel, besides saving much time, trouble and expense.

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Favorite passenger steamers of the ANCHOR LINE sail every SATURDAY with passengers for

LIVERPOOL, GLASGOW AND DERRY.

BRITANNIA, LAIRD, SATURDAY, Aug. 24.
HIBERNIA, MUNRO, SATURDAY, Aug. 31.
UNITED KINGDOM, SMITH, SATURDAY, Sept. 7.

From the Company's Pier, No. 20 North River.

Rates of passage, payable in currency:

To Liverpool, Glasgow and Derry, cabins, $90 and $75, according to location.

Excursion tickets, good for twelve months, $160.

Intermediate, $35; Steerage, $25.

Prepaid certificates from these ports, $35.

Passengers booked to and from Hamburg, Rotterdam, Antwerp, Havre, &c., at very low rates.

For further information apply at the Company's office, No. 6 Bowling-green, New-York.

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LONDON AND NEW-YORK STEAMSHIP LINE.

Passage to London or Brest, $110, $75 and $30 currency. Excursion tickets at reduced rates available for six months.

WM. PENN, Capt. BILLINGS, from New-York, Aug. 31.
ATALANTA, Capt. PINKHAM, from New-York, Sept. 14.
BELLONA, Capt. DIXON, from New-York, Sept. 28.
CELLA, Capt. CREADELL, from New-York, Oct. 12.

The elegant British iron steamship WM. PENN will leave Pier No. 3, North River, for London, calling at Brest, on SATURDAY, Aug. 31, at 12 M.

Until further notice all the steamers of this line will call at Brest to land passengers. Tickets sold through by rail to Paris at 25 per cent. less than regular rates.

Freight will be taken and through bills of lading given to Havre, Antwerp, Rotterdam, Amsterdam, and Dunkirk.

For passage apply to ROBERT N. CLARK, No. 26 Broadway.

For freight apply at No. 54 South-st.

HOWLAND & ASPINWALL, Agents.

THE NATIONAL LINE.

Steamers weekly to Liverpool and Queenstown, leaving Pier No. 47 North River, every SATURDAY, viz:

DENMARK, THOMSON.....SATURDAY, Aug. 24
ERIN, HALL.....SATURDAY, Aug. 31
PENNSYLVANIA, LEWIS.....SATURDAY, Sept. 7
VIRGINIA, PROWSE.....SATURDAY, Sept. 14

Cabin passage, payable in gold, $90 and $75.

Steerage passage to Liverpool or Queenstown, $25 in currency.

Steerage tickets from Liverpool or Queenstown $35 in currency.

REDUCTION IN FREIGHT.—This company will now carry fine measurement goods from Liverpool at a maximum rate of 30 shillings per ton of 40 cubic feet and five per cent. primage.

For further particulars apply at the office of the Company, Nos. 57 and 27 Broadway, or No. 73 Broadway.

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The New-York and Havre steamship Company's first-class mail steamships ARAGO and FULTON, to Havre calling at Falmouth, carrying the United States mails from Pier No. 46 North River, on the following days, at noon:

FULTON.....C. H. Townsend...Saturday, Aug. 31
ARAGO.....H. A. Gadsden...Saturday, Sept. 28
FULTON.....C. H. Townsend...Saturday, Oct. 5
ARAGO.....H. A. Gadsden...Saturday, Nov. 23

and every twenty-eight days thereafter

PRICES OF PASSAGE, PAYABLE IN GOLD,

FIRST-CLASS.....$120
SECOND-CLASS.....70

Through tickets to London $5 extra.

An experienced surgeon on board.

The Company will not be responsible for specie or valuables unless bills of lading, having the value expressed, are signed therefor.

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THE BRITISH AND NORTH AMERICAN ROYAL MAIL STEAMSHIPS,

BETWEEN NEW-YORK AND LIVERPOOL, CALLING AT CORK HARBOR:

AND

BETWEEN BOSTON AND LIVERPOOL, CALLING AT HALIFAX AND CORK HARBOR.

RUSSIA leaves New-York, Wednesday, August 21.
JAVA leaves Boston, Wednesday, August 28.
SCOTIA leaves New-York, Wednesday, Sept. 4.
CUBA leaves Boston, Wednesday, Sept. 11.
PERSIA leaves New-York, Wednesday, Sept. 18.
CHINA leaves Boston, Wednesday, Sept. 25.

FROM NEW-YORK TO LIVERPOOL.

Chief Cabin Passage.....$150
Second Cabin Passage.....80

FROM NEW-YORK TO PARIS

Chief Cabin Passage.....$165

FROM BOSTON TO LIVERPOOL.

Chief Cabin Passage.....$125
Second Cabin Passage.....70

Payable in gold, or its equivalent in United States currency.

Berths not secured until paid for.

An experienced surgeon on board.

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For freight or passage apply to

E. CUNARD, No. 4 Bowling-green.

PASSENGERS PER RUSSIA ARE REQUESTED to be on board at the Company's wharf, Jersey City, by 9 o'clock on WEDNESDAY MORNING, 21st inst.

E. CUNARD, No. 4 Bowling-green.

CUNARD LINE OF EXTRA STEAMERS.

BETWEEN NEW-YORK AND LIVERPOOL, CALLING AT QUEENSTOWN.

FROM NEW-YORK EVERY WEEK.

TARIFA.....Saturday, Aug. 24
PALMYRA.....Wednesday, Aug. 28

RATES OF PASSAGE:

Cabin.....$80 Gold.
Steerage.....$25 Currency.

Steerage tickets from Liverpool or Queenstown $35 currency.

For Steerage Passage, apply at No. 69 Broadway.

For Freight and Cabin Passage, at No. 4 Bowling-green.

E. CUNARD.

RETURN TICKETS TO PARIS AND BACK, FIRST CLASS, $200 IN GOLD.

STEAM TO LIVERPOOL—CALLING AT QUEENSTOWN.—The Inman Line, sailing semi-weekly, carrying the United States Mails:

CITY OF PARIS.....SATURDAY
CITY OF NEW-YORK.....WEDNESDAY...Aug. 24
CITY OF ANTWERP.....SATURDAY...Aug. 31
CITY OF BOSTON.....SATURDAY.....Sept. 7
ETNA.....WEDNESDAY.....Sept. 11

and each succeeding SATURDAY and WEDNESDAY at noon, from Pier No. 45 North River.

RATES OF PASSAGE

By the mail steamer sailing every Saturday.

PAYABLE IN GOLD. PAYABLE IN CURRENCY.

First Cabin.....$110 | Steerage.....$30
First Cabin to London.....110 | Steerage to London.....35
First Cabin to Paris.....125 | Steerage to Paris.....45

Passage by the Wednesday steamers, first cabin, $100; steerage, $35. Passage to Cork, $10 less.

Passengers also forwarded to Havre, Hamburg, Bremen, &c., at moderate rates.

Steerage passage from Liverpool or Queenstown, $40 currency. Tickets can be bought here by persons sending for their friends.

For further information, apply at the Company's offices.

JOHN G. DALE, Agent,
No. 15 Broadway, New-York,
or No. 411 Chestnut-st., Philadelphia.

LIVERPOOL AND GREAT WESTERN STEAM COMPANY.

The following FIRST-CLASS IRON STEAMSHIPS, built expressly for the New-York trade, are intended to sail regularly between NEW-YORK AND LIVERPOOL, calling at QUEENSTOWN, viz.:

MANHATTAN, MINNESOTA,
CHICAGO, NEBRASKA,

with other first-class steamers building. To sail:

NEBRASKA.....WEDNESDAY, Aug. 28
MANHATTAN.....WEDNESDAY, Sept. 11
MINNESOTA.....WEDNESDAY, Sept. 25

From Pier No. 37 East River.

Cabin, (the accommodations being equal to any Atlantic steamer,) $90 and $75; return tickets, $160, gold; steerage, $25, currency.

Tickets to bring out passengers from Europe can be obtained on reasonable terms. For freight or passage apply to WILLIAMS & GUION, No. 71 Wall-st.

For steerage passage to

WILLIAMS & GUION, No. 29 Broadway.

DIRECT STEAMSHIP LINE BETWEEN ANTWERP AND NEW-YORK.

The undersigned will dispatch the first-class English iron steamers

OTTAWA, Capt. ARCHER,
MEDWAY, Capt. HARRIS,

FROM NEW-YORK.—June 1, June 22, July 17.
FROM ANTWERP.—May 20, June 24, July 11.

Taking passengers at the following rates:

From Antwerp—First Cabin.....90 00
Steerage.....40 00
From New-York, first cabin, according to location of state-rooms.....$75—$90 00
Steerage.....32 50

EXCURSION TICKETS AT

First Cabin.....$170 | Steerage.....$67 50

payable in gold or its equivalent.

Freight is taken at the lowest rates for Antwerp, Rotterdam and Amsterdam.

Apply to HILLER & CO., New-York.

For freight and cabin passage, No. 37 Broadway; for steerage, No. 3 Chambers-st.

PASSAGE TO AND FROM GREAT BRITAIN AND IRELAND BY STEAMSHIP AND SAILING PACKET, AT REDUCED RATES.

DRAFTS AVAILABLE THROUGHOUT ENGLAND, IRELAND, SCOTLAND AND WALES.

For particulars apply to

T. & J. SCOTT, BROTHERS & CO., No. 86 South-st. and No. 23 Broadway.

NEW AND DIRECT LINE OF STEAMERS TO ANTWERP.—The A 1 iron steamship CLEOPATRA, WM. DONALD, Commander, will sail for the above port on SATURDAY, 17th August, from Pier No. 8 North River.

For freight or passage apply to

CHRISTIAN BROS. No. 18 Exchange-place,
Or FUNCH, MEINCKE & WENDT, Brokers.
No. 15 South William-st.

To be followed by the steamer ACHILLES, WM. RICHES, Commander.

STEAM BETWEEN ANTWERP AND NEW-YORK.—The Liverpool, New-York and Philadelphia Steamship Company,

INMAN LINE,

will dispatch one of their steamships from Antwerp to New-York every month, commencing with

CITY OF CORK.....WEDNESDAY, Oct. 2
KANGAROO.....WEDNESDAY, Oct. 23

From Pier No. 45 North River.

For further information, apply at the Company's office.

JOHN G. DALE, Agent,
No. 15 Broadway, New-York.

STAR LINE FOR NEW-ORLEANS.—THE NEW-YORK MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY'S fine ocean steamers will leave Pier No. 45 North River, at 3 P. M., as follows:

MONTICELLO, on SATURDAY, Aug. 31.

All bills of lading signed at the office upon the pier.

For freight or passage apply to GEO. B. HARTSON, President, No. 5 Bowling-green.

TRAVELERS FOR EUROPE CAN HAVE trunks, packages, valuables sent to or from any part of Europe at moderate charge, through the American and European Express. AUSTIN, BALDWIN & CO., No. 72 Broadway.

SHIPPING.

NEW-YORK & BREMEN STEAMSHIP CO.

THE CHEAPEST LINE.

THE FIRST-CLASS U. S. MAIL STEAMSHIP WESTERN METROPOLIS, Capt. WM. WEIR, will leave Pier 46 N. R., foot Sansom, Aug. 24, at 12 M., FOR SOUTHAMPTON AND BREMEN, taking passengers to Southampton, Havre and Bremen, at the following rates, payable in gold or its equivalent in currency—to Paris or London $5 additional:

First cabin, $110; second cabin, $65; steerage, $35.

From Bremen, Southampton and Havre to New-York, first cabin, $110; second cabin, $75; steerage, $3.

EXCURSION TICKETS OUT AND HOME.

First cabin, $210; second cabin, $130; steerage, $70.

NORTHERN LIGHT, Capt. A. G. JONES.....Sept. 7

For freight, expressage, bills of exchange or passage apply to ISAAC TAYLOR, President, 40 Broadway.

PACIFIC MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY'S THROUGH LINE TO

CALIFORNIA AND CHINA,

CARRYING UNITED STATES MAIL.
VIA PANAMA RAILROAD.

Steamers leave Pier No. 42 North River, foot of Canal-st., at 12 o'clock, noon, as follows:

AUGUST 1—ARIZONA, Capt. MAURY, connecting with GOLDEN AGE, Capt. FARNSWORTH.

AUGUST 10—HENRY CHAUNCEY, Capt. GRAY, connecting with GOLDEN CITY, Capt. LAFIDGE.

AUGUST 21—RISING STAR, Capt. C. P. SEABURY, connecting with CONSTITUTION, Capt.

100 pounds baggage allowed free to each adult passenger. Medicines and attendance free.

All cesspartes sench at Acapulco; those of 1st and 3st connect at Panama with steamers for South Pacific ports; 1st and 11th for Central American Ports, and 1st to 1st touch at Manzanillo.

Departure of 11th of each month connects with the new steam line from Panama to Australia and New-Zealand.

Steamer of August 10th will connect closely with steamer GREAT REPUBLIC from San Francisco, September 3d for Yokohama and Hong Kong; at Yokohama with steamer COSTA RICA for Nagasaki and Shanghai.

For passage tickets and all further information apply at the office on the wharf, foot of Canal-st., North River, New-York.

F. R. BABY, Agent.

OPPOSITION LINE TO CALIFORNIA.

REDUCED RATES OF PASSAGE AND FREIGHT. The entirely new, fast and elegant steamship SANTIAGO DE CUBA, Capt. ELISHA HOWES,

will be dispatched by the North American Steamship Company, on FRIDAY, Aug. 30, at noon, from Pier No. 2 North River, foot of Warren-st., connecting on the Pacific with the favorite steamer AMERICA, Capt. E. WAKEMAN.

The accommodations on these steamers are unsurpassed by those of any steamers afloat, and the line is run

THROUGH TO SAN FRANCISCO EVERY TWENTY DAYS.

For passage or freight apply to

D. N. CARRINGTON, Agent,
No. 177 West-st., corner Warren-st., New-York.
WILLIAM H. WEBB, President,
No. 54 Exchange-place, New-York.

UNITED STATES MAIL TO HAVANA.

ATLANTIC MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

Sailing every THURSDAY from Pier No. 4 North River, at 3 P. M.

COLUMBIA, D. B. BARTON, Master, Aug. 22.
MISSOURI, G. W. PALMER, Master, Aug. 29.

For freight or passage apply to

GEO. B. HARTSON, President, No. 5 Bowling-green.

FOR CALIFORNIA VIA PANAMA.

The Pacific Mail Steamship Company's steamer RISING STAR will sail on WEDNESDAY, Aug. 21, at 12 o'clock noon.

Freight received from Wednesday, 14th, A. M., until Tuesday, 3 P. M.

For rates, &c., inquire at freight office on Company's Pier, No. 42 North River, foot of Canal-st.

WELLS, FARGO & CO., Sole Freight Agents P. M. S. S. Co.

FOR ST. THOMAS AND BRAZIL.

UNITED STATES AND BRAZIL MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

REGULAR MAIL STEAMERS sailing on the 22d of every month:

SOUTH AMERICA, Capt. E. L. TINKLEPAUGH, Aug. 22.
HAVANA, Capt. GEO. B. SLOCUM, Sept. 22.
NORTH AMERICA, Capt. L. F. TINKERMAN, Oct. 22.

These elegant steamers sail on schedule time, and call at St. Thomas, Para, Pernambuco, Bahia and Rio de Janeiro, going and returning. For engagement of freight or passage, apply to GARRISON & ALLEN, Agents, No. 5 Bowling-green, New-York.

FOR NORFOLK, CITY POINT AND RICHMOND.

OLD DOMINION STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

FROM PIER 37 NORTH RIVER, foot of Beach-st. Steamships ALBEMARLE, SARATOGA, HATTERAS, NIAGARA and VIRGINIA.

Leaving every TUESDAY, THURSDAY and SATURDAY, at 2 o'clock P. M.

Through bills of lading to all points on the Seaboard and Roanoke, Virginia and Tennessee Air Line and Petersburgh Railroads and their connections.

Bills of lading signed on the pier.

For freight or passage apply on the pier, or to

N. L. McCREADY, President, No. 187 Greenwich-st., corner of Dey-st.

FOR SAVANNAH, GA.

EVERY THURSDAY.

The Atlantic Coast Mail Steamship Company's side-wheel steamships

GEO. BARNES, Capt. MORTON, sails THURSDAY, August 22,

H. LIVINGSTON, Capt. BAKER, sails THURSDAY, August 29.

From Pier No. 36 North River, at 3 P. M. precisely, giving through passage tickets and bills of lading to all points in connection with the Central Railroad of Georgia, and with Atlantic and Gulf Railroad to points in Florida.

For freight or passage apply to

LIVINGSTON, FOX & CO., Agents, No. 88 Liberty-st.

REGULAR LINE FOR CHARLESTON, S. C.—Freight 10 cents per cubic foot, being a reduction of nearly 50 per cent. For Charleston, the Florida ports, the South and Southwest. First Cabin passage $15.

The fast and popular steamship SARAGOSSA, (of large freight capacity) M. B. CROWELL, Commander, is now receiving her cargo, and will sail on SATURDAY, Aug. 24 inst., at 3 P. M., from Pier No. 14 E. R., foot of Wall-st.

ARTHUR LEARY, No. 73 William-st.

FOR CHARLESTON—EVERY THURSDAY.—THE PEOPLE'S MAIL STEAMSHIP CO.'S steamship

E. B. SOUDER, Capt. LEBBY, THURSDAY, Aug. 22.
MONEKA, Capt. MARSHMAN, THURSDAY, Aug. 29,

from Pier No. 4 North River, at 3 P. M. Through passage tickets and bills of lading issued to all points South, in connection with the South Carolina Railroad.

For freight or passage apply to

LIVINGSTON, FOX & CO., Agents, No. 88 Liberty-st.

FOR NEW-ORLEANS DIRECT.

The new and first-class steamship GEN. GRANT, Capt. E. W. HOLMES, will leave Pier No. 9, North River, on SATURDAY, Aug. 24, at 9 o'clock P. M.

For freight or passage, having unsurpassed accommodations, apply to

R. L. CROMWELL & CO., No. 86 West-st.

The GEN. MEADE will follow Aug. 31.

FOR NEW-ORLEANS DIRECT—ATLANTIC Coast Mail Steamship Company's new and first-class light-draft sidewheel steamship RALEIGH, Capt. MARSHMAN, will leave Pier No. 36 North River, for the above port, on SATURDAY, Aug. 24, at 3 P. M.

For freight or passage, having unsurpassed accommodations, apply to

LIVINGSTON, FOX & CO., No. 88 Liberty-st.

REGULAR LINE

FOR GALVESTON, TEXAS, DIRECT.

The fine steamship TRADEWIND, Capt. J. T. MORRILL, will leave Pier No. 4 North River on THURSDAY, Aug. 22, at 3 o'clock P. M. precisely, for Galveston direct.

For freight or passage, having superior accommodations, apply to SPOFFORD, TILESTON & CO.,

Sole Freight Agents for Galveston.

Goods forwarded to Indianola and Lavaca without charge, and also to the interior by railroad without charge for drayage in Galveston.

The splendid steamer TYBEE will follow on the 31st.

UNITED STATES PASSPORT BUREAU.—U. States passports indispensable to travelers, issued by J. B. NONES, Passport Agent, 262 Broadway.

STEAMBOATS.

LONG ISLAND NAVIGATION COMPANY.

FOR SAG HARBOR, GREENPORT, ORIENT, ORIENT POINT, AND NEW SUFFOLK.

The new and beautiful steamer, RIVER QUEEN, Capt. G. C. GIBBS, leaves Pier No. 26 (Peck-slip) East River, New-York, TUESDAYS, THURSDAYS and SATURDAYS, at 5 P. M., for the above places, connecting by stages with East Hampton, Bridgehampton, Amagansett, Southold and Riverhead. Returning, leaves Sag Harbor, MONDAYS, WEDNESDAYS and FRIDAYS, at 4 P. M., making the entire circuit of Peconic Bay by daylight.

FOR PORT JEFFERSON AND STONY BROOK.

Steamer SUNBEAM, Capt. E. A. HILDRETH, leaves Pier No. 26, TUESDAYS, THURSDAYS and SATURDAYS, as per time table, connecting by stages with Miller's-place, Rocky Point and Setauket.

FOR MYSTIC, CONN.

The elegant steamer ARTISAN, Capt. W. H. GIBBS, leaves Pier No. 24 (Peck-slip,) East River, WEDNESDAYS and SATURDAYS, at 6 P. M., connecting with trains. J. S. TUTHILL, Agent, No. 156 South-st.

GREAT REDUCTION IN FIRST-CLASS FARE,

WEST, NORTH AND EAST.

Via New-York Central and Northern Railroads and Troy Steamers, from Pier No. 44 North River, foot of Spring-st., daily at 6 P. M. Saturdays excepted.

FIRST-CLASS PASSENGER FARE FROM NEW-YORK TO ALBANY AND TROY, $1.

Schenectady	1 31	Saratoga	1 75
Fonda	1 59	Fort Edward	2 45
Utica	2 45	Whitehall	3 90
Rome	2 76	Rutland	4 50
Syracuse	3 54	Burlington	6 00
Rochester	5 30	North Adams	2 90
Lockport	6 30	Canada	6 00
Suspension Bridge	6 75	Ogdensburgh	10 50
Buffalo	6 75	Montreal	9 75

And at corresponding reduction to all intermediate points and stations west from Buffalo.

Tickets sold and baggage checked at the office, No. 308 West-st., or on board.

SHREWSBURY, LONG BRANCH AND RED BANK.

The favorite steamboat META will leave pier foot of Barclay-st., short pier, as follows:

LEAVE NEW-YORK.	LEAVE RED BANK.
Tuesday, 20th, 7 A. M.	Tuesday, 20th, 11 A. M.
Wednesday, 21st, 11½ A. M.	Wednesday, 21st, 11½ A. M.
Thursday, 22d, 8 A. M.	Thursday, 22d, 12½ P. M.

THE STEAMER HELEN FOR SHREWSBURY.

Leave New-York, foot Chambers-st., at 8 o'clock A. M., Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday. Saturday, will leave at 12 o'clock M., until further notice.

FOR SHREWSBURY AND LONG BRANCH.—The strong and commodious steamboat SEA BIRD, Capt. H. B. PARKER, will leave foot of Chambers-st. Fare reduced to 25 cents.

LEAVE NEW-YORK.	LEAVE RED BANK.
Wed'sday, Aug. 21, 7½ A. M.	Wed'sday, Aug. 21, 11 A. M.
Thursday, Aug. 22, 8½ A. M.	Thursday, Aug. 22, 12 M.
Friday, Aug. 23.....9½ A. M.	Friday, Aug. 23.....1 P. M.

REGULAR HARTFORD LINE.

First-class steamers STATE OF NEW-YORK and CITY OF HARTFORD leave Peck-slip, East River, daily, (except Sundays) at 4 P. M., for Hartford, Conn., connecting for Springfield, Cabotville, Holyoke, Northampton, and all Connecticut River towns for passengers and freight. Fare $1 50 to Hartford; second-class $1 25, making it the cheapest and most agreeable route to the White Mountains.

LLOYD'S DOCK, (HUNTINGTON) OYSTER BAY, (EAST NORWICH,) AND UNION DOCK, (BAYVILLE.)—The fast and commodious steamer D. R. MARTIN, Capt. SAMUEL E. UNDERHILL, leaves Pier No. 34 East River, (Catharine-st.,) at 4 P. M., and foot of 37th-st., East River, at 4:10 P. M., daily, for the above-named places.

STEAMBOATS.

NEW ROUTE BETWEEN

NEW-YORK AND BOSTON,

VIA BRISTOL, R. I.

The Narragansett Steamship Company's new and magnificent steamers BRISTOL, Capt. BENJ. BRAYTON, and PROVIDENCE, Capt. HENRY M. SIMMONS, are now running on Long Island Sound, leaving Pier No. 40 North River, every afternoon, (Sundays excepted,) at 5 o'clock, connecting at Bristol with the Boston and Providence Railroad, reaching Boston with shorter railroad ride than by any other route—distance by rail 54 miles, time 1 hour and 30 minutes.

These steamers are the largest, staunchest and most elegant ever placed upon American waters in the number and size of their state-rooms, and splendor of their accommodations, they are unrivaled. State-rooms secured, tickets for sale, and freight arrangements made at the office on the Pier. Also, tickets sold at the principal offices of Wescott's Express Company, No. 1 Park-place, Nos. 385 and 945 Broadway; Harlem Railroad Depot, 4th-av. and 26th-st.; Hudson River Railroad, 9th-av. and 29th-st., 6th-av. and 42d-st., and in Brooklyn, No. 289 Washington-st., City Hall-square. By purchasing tickets at any of these offices, baggage can be checked from the residence to destination.

H. G. BRIGGS, General Manager.
G. W. TILES, Agent.

SARATOGA, RUTLAND, BUFFALO. Suspension Bridge, Mount Mansfield and White Mountains via Burlington and all points North and West. Albany Day Line.—The steamboats C. VIBBARD and DANIEL DREW will, on and after May 13, leave Desbrosses-st. at 8½, and 24th-st. at 8¾ A. M. for Albany, landing at Yonkers, Cozzens, West Point, Newburgh, Fishkill, Poughkeepsie, Hudson, Catskill, Athens and (Hudson by ferry,) connecting at Athens depot by special train with the New-York Central and Rensselaer and Saratoga Railroads via Schenectady with Albany and Susquehanna Railroad at Junction, and without change of cars with the Lake Champlain steamboats at Whitehall for Rouse Point, arriving at Montreal at 4 P. M. Returning, leave Albany at 6½ P. M.

SUMMER ARRANGEMENT.—FOR WHITESTONE, Bayles Dock, Great Neck, Sands Point, GLEN COVE, Mott's Dock, Glenwood and Roslyn. On and after Wednesday, May 1, the elegant new steamboat SEAMAN HAS, Capt. ——, Hendrickson, will leave Pier No. 2 West River, (Peck-slip,) daily, Sundays excepted, at 4 P. M. for above-named places. No heavy freight received.

FOR NORWALK DIRECT—CONNECTing with the Danbury Railroad.—The fast and splendid steamboat NELLY WHITE leaves Pier No. 37 East River, foot of Market-st., EVERY AFTERNOON at 3 o'clock; 34th-st. at 3:10; returning leaves Norwalk at 7:45, or on the arrival of the Danbury and New-Haven trains. Fare, 75 cents. Excursion tickets, $1 25. Stages connect for New-Canaan, Wilton and Ridgefield.

EASTRIVER LINE TO CONEY ISLAND.—The steamer NAUSHON leaves every day, Sundays included, from North 8th-st., E. D., at 9¾; 8th-st., New-York, 10 and 2; Broome-st., 10¼ and 2¼; Peck-slip, 10¾ and 2¾; Fulton Ferry, Brooklyn, 10¾ and 2¾; Sackett-st., 11 and 3 o'clock.

NORTHPORT AND WILLETT'S POINT.—The steamer MATTANO, Capt. MARSHALL, leaves Pier No. 34 East River, (Catharine-st.,) daily, for the above-named places, at 3 P. M.; returning, leaves Northport at 6 and Willett's Point at 8:15 A. M.

FOR BRIDGEPORT.—TWO BOATS DAILY from Peck-slip, foot of Roosevelt-st. Fare $1. Steamer BRIDGEPORT, at 12 o'clock noon; and steamer J. B. SCHUYLER, 3 o'clock P. M. Making landing at Astoria, at 3:10 P. M. Freight received daily. J. B. RUBBELL, Gen. Agent; T. LOCKYER & CO. Agents on Pier.

FOR NEWBURGH, WEST POINT, Poughkeepsie, Rondout and Kingston, landing at Cozzens, Dock, Cornwall, Newburgh and Milton. The steamer MARY POWELL leaves Desbrosses-st. EVERY AFTERNOON at 3½ o'clock.

FOR NEW-HAVEN, HARTFORD AND THE NORTH.—Steamers leave Peck-slip for New-Haven at 3:15 and 11 P. M., connecting with railroad.

EXCURSIONS.

EXCURSIONS FOR DEEPORT—FARE 25 CENTS!—The new, fast and commodious steamer HOLMDEL, Capt. H. E. ACKERSON, will run between Keyport and New-York, landing at Bergen Point, No. 26, first above Battery-st., as follows, during the month of August: Leave Keyport daily (Sundays excepted) at 7 P. M., and

LEAVE NEW-YORK ON

Saturday, 17th, at 2½ P. M. Wednesday, 21st, at 11 A. M.
Tuesday, 20th, at 10 A. M. Thursday, 22d, at 11 A. M.

DAILY EXCURSIONS TO GLEN COVE AND ROSLYN—Landing at White Stone, Bayles' Dock, Great Neck, Sands Point, Mott's Dock and Glen Wood. On and after MONDAY, June 3, the steamer ARROWSMITH, Capt. MUTTER, will leave Peck-slip, Pier No. 24 East River, every morning, at 9¼, for the above landings; returning will leave Roslyn at 3¼ P. M.

RAILROADS.

TO RAILWAY TRAVELERS.

APPLETON'S RAILWAY GUIDE contains One Hundred Railway Maps, and the Time Tables of all the Railways of the United States and the Canadas; also a Tourist Guide to the Watering Places, Springs, &c. For sale everywhere.

LONG ISLAND RAILROAD.

SUMMER ARRANGEMENT—CHANGE OF TIME.

Leave James-slip:

7:30 A. M., mail train for Greenport and all way stations.

10 A. M., Syosset, Glen Cove and all way stations.

3 P. M., (Saturdays only,) Farmingdale, train stopping at Jamaica, Mineola, Hempstead, Merrustown and Farmingdale, on which day the Greenport Express will not stop at stations between Hunter's Point and Farmingdale.

3:30 P. M., Express train for Greenport.

4 P. M., Syosset, Glen Cove and all way stations.

5:30 P. M., North Islip, Glen Cove, and all way stations.

Sunday excursion train leaves Hunter's Point at 8:30 A. M.; returning, arrives at Hunter's Point at 6:30 P. M. To take effect Saturday, 17th. F. WHITE, Sup't.

MORRIS AND ESSEX RAILROAD.

Depots in New-York foot of Barclay and Christopher sts.

SUMMER ARRANGEMENT, commencing MONDAY, June 17, 1867:

7:30 A. M., Express train, connecting at Waterloo with Sussex R. R. for Andover and Newton, and at Washington with Delaware, Lackawanna and Western R. R. for Scranton, Great Bend and Binghamton, and at Easton with L. V. R. R. for Bethlehem and Allentown.

11:45 A. M.—Express train, stopping at Newark, Morristown, Dover, Hackettstown and Washington, connecting at Easton with L. V. R. R. for Bethlehem, Allentown, Mauch Chunk, Wilkesbarre, &c.

4:10 P. M.—Express train, connecting at Easton with L. V. R. R. for Bethlehem, Allentown, and Mauch Chunk.

1:20 P. M.—Morristown and intermediate stations.

3:30 P. M.—All stations from Millburn to Hackettstown.

5:30 P. M.—Morristown Express.

6:30 P. M.—Morristown and intermediate stations.

Orange and South Orange at 6:30, 7:45 and 11:30 A. M., and 1:30, 3:30, 5:30, 6:30, 8:30 and 11:45 P. M.

For Newark all above trains and at 9 and 10 A. M. and 7:45 P. M.

A. P. BERTHOUD, General Superintendent.

HUDSON RIVER AND HARLEM RAILROADS.—On and after MONDAY, April 29, 1867, trains for Albany and Troy, connecting with Northern and West Shore trains, will leave York as follows:

8 A. M. Express train, via Hudson River Railroad, 30th-st. and 10th-av., through to Buffalo and Suspension Bridge without change of cars, and connecting at Troy with trains for Saratoga, Rutland, Burlington and the North.

10:30 A. M. Express train via Harlem Railroad, 26th-st. and 4th-av., connecting at Chatham with Western Railroad for Lebanon Springs, Pittsfield, &c., at Albany with Western trains, and at Troy with trains for Saratoga, Rutland, Burlington and the North.

12 M. Express train via Hudson River Railroad, connecting at Albany with train for Saratoga.

3:30 P. M. Express train via Hudson River Railroad, connecting at Albany with Western trains, and at Troy with trains for Montreal, with sleeping-car attached.

4:40 P. M. Express train, via Harlem Railroad, connecting at Chatham with Western Railroad for Lebanon Springs, Pittsfield, &c.; and at Albany with Western trains, and at Troy with trains for Saratoga.

6:30 P. M. Express train via Hudson River Railroad, with sleeping-cars attached, and through to Buffalo and Suspension Bridge without change of cars. Also sleeping-car every day excepting Saturdays attached from New-York through to Ogdensburgh without change, via Rome, W. and O. Railroad. Connection at Troy will be made at East Albany. This train will run on Sundays.

11 P. M. Train via Hudson River Railroad, with sleeping-cars attached, connecting at Albany with early trains for Buffalo and Suspension Bridge, and at Troy with trains for Saratoga and points North. This train will run on Sundays.

A Sunday train will be run via Hudson River Railroad from New-York to Poughkeepsie and intermediate stations, leaving New-York at 9 A. M. Returning, leave Poughkeepsie at 3:45 P. M., arriving in New-York at 7 P. M.

Also, a Sunday train via Harlem Railroad, leaving 42d-st. at 9 A. M., and arriving at Millerton at 3:40 P. M. Returning, leave Millerton at 5 P. M., arriving in New-York at 12:20 A. M.

WM. H. VANDERBILT, Vice-President.

ERIE RAILWAY.—TRAINS LEAVE DEPOT foot of Chambers-st., Pavonia Ferry:

4 A. M.—Way Express for Rochester, Buffalo, and all points West and South.

8:30 A. M.—Way Train daily for Otisville and intermediate stations.

10 A. M.—Express Mail, for Buffalo, Salamanca, Dunkirk, and all points West and South.

4 P. M.—Way Train for Turner's and intermediate stations.

4:30 P. M.—Way Express, stopping at Suffern, Turner's, and all stations west of Turner's, to Port Jervis, Newburgh and Warwick.

6 P. M.—Way Train for Suffern and intermediate stations.

6:30 P. M.—Night Express for Rochester, Buffalo, Salamanca, Dunkirk and all points South and West.

6 P. M.—Way Train for Suffern and intermediate stations.

7 P. M.—Night Express, daily, for Rochester, Buffalo, Salamanca, Dunkirk, and all points West and South. By this train sleeping-coaches will run through to Cincinnati without change.

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EUROPEAN INTELLIGENCE.

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cities they would probably proclaim their neutrality, and *the nature of modern warfare is so rapid that the contest between the principals might be settled by more serious Solferino or some new Sadowa, long before the numerous spectators had time to make up their minds to interfere.* Of this the Emperor NAPOLEON, if he could have any doubt of it, may easily satisfy himself by reading the opinion of the Austrian and Italian Press long before he starts for the interview of Salzburg.

The Prince Imperial at a Distribution of College Prizes.

At the distribution of prizes in the general competition between the colleges of Paris and Versailles, at the Sorbonne, on Wednesday, Aug. 7, M. DURUY, Minister of Public Instruction, thus addressed the Prince Imperial, who distributed the prizes on the occasion: "Monseigneur, our *fêtes* have a seriousness in them, even in the midst of joy. Your Imperial Highness must have perceived that such is the case by the long address just delivered. However, you will permit me one more. It is a month since, Prince, amid the applause of an assemblage in which the whole world had its representatives, you presented to the Emperor the prize which the jury of the nations had awarded to the warm and resolute protector of the laboring classes. To-day it is the part of the historian of, CESAR, of the Imperial writer who has so often expressed noble thoughts in the finest language—it is the heir to the first throne in the world—who comes to distribute crowns to the victors in the contests of intellect, to those who will one day assist him in good service to the country. May these *fêtes*, Prince, remain in your memory. One will remind you of the persevering efforts of your illustrious tutor to diminish the destitution of the people, and the other of his solicitude to elevate the genius of France."

MEXICO.

Maximilian in Captivity at Queretaro —Baron Lago's Official Report.

From the Vienna Official Abendpost, Aug. 3.

The following dispatch from Baron LAGO, the Austrian Minister in Mexico, dated Mexico, June 26, with a postscript of June 28, contains an interesting and authentic account of the captivity of MAXIMILIAN at Queretaro:

After overcoming the great difficulties laid in my way by the Lugartenient-General MARQUEZ, I succeeded in leaving Mexico on the 31st of May, and arrived after a three days' journey, via Tulcos and Celaya, at Queretaro on the night of the 3d of June. The day after I received permission from the Republican Commander-in-Chief, Gen. ESCOBEDO, to visit the Emperor whenever I pleased. I immediately went to the prison in the Convento de las Cajuchinas, where I found His Majesty in bed suffering severely from dysentery, but full of mental vigor and courageous resolution. On the stairs and corridors leading to the chamber of His Majesty hundreds of soldiers were lying about, so that one literally had to step over them. The chamber itself was a cell at the end of a corridor on the first floor about ten paces long and six wide, and contained nothing but a camp-bed, a chest, two tables, an arm-chair and four other chairs made of reeds; the floor was of common brick, the door and only window opened into the passage. Before the one stood a sentinel, before the other an officer lay on a straw mat. At night a General and three Colonels stood sentinel before the Imperial chamber with revolvers in their hands. On the same corridor were two other cells, where Gens. MIRAMON and MEJIA were imprisoned; they were allowed to communicate without hindrance with their Sovereign. In two other smaller chambers were the Imperial body physician, Dr. BASCH, and the two European servants of the Emperor. These three were not treated as prisoners. From the time of my arrival at Queretaro I was in daily communication for hours together with the Emperor, who treated me most graciously and kindly, and gave me every proof of his entire confidence. His Majesty also frequently saw my colleagues, the Prussian Minister and the Belgian and Italian Charges d'Affaire, Mr. HOPPNER and CERCOPASSI, to whom he also showed himself most amiable and gracious. We soon came to the conclusion, in consequence of the most difficult and almost hopeless state of affairs, that the two lawyers who had arrived with us from Mexico, MM. RIVA PALACIO and MARTINEZ DEL CAMPO, could do more for their Imperial client at San Luis, the seat of the Republican Government, and where, therefore, the final decision would be made, than at Queretaro, where, however, the other two lawyers, ORTEGA and VASQUEZ, remained. A short time after their arrival at San Luis these two gentlemen telegraphed to us that their endeavors had totally failed, and especially that their chief demand—namely, the declaration that the court-martial was incompetent to decide the Imperial cause—had been imperatively refused. This Court consisted of six Captains, with a Lieutenant-Colonel as President. The lawyers proposed that the cause should be tried either by a court-martial composed of general officers or by a National Congress. At the request of the above-mentioned lawyers, who in the course of the day had sent us further details of the lamentable situation of affairs, the Prussian Minister, M. MAGNUS, immediately left for San Luis, in order, if possible, to obtain a better result, or at least a delay of the proceedings. In order to neglect nothing myself that might be of possible assistance to the Imperial prisoner, I offered to accompany the Prussian Minister, as he is not acquainted with the Spanish language, and his Secretary was compelled by a severe attack of illness to remain at Queretaro. The two lawyers who had remained declared, however, solemnly in the presence of my colleagues that, as a representative of Austria, I should only injure the cause of the Emperor by appearing at San Luis, and I was thus compelled to relinquish the plan, for which the Emperor thanked me on the same evening, as he urgently required my presence with him. The Emperor had no hope whatever of any favorable result for his honor and life from the negotiations at San Luis; and as it appeared afterward he was right. On the 12th and 13th of June the proceedings commenced in the town theatre of Queretaro. The court-martial and the accused were on the stage, the audience in the boxes and stalls! The theatre was sparingly lighted up. Partly on account of his serious illness, but more especially from a profound resentment of the indignity proposed, His Majesty refused to appear under any condition less than the application of brute force, and the proceedings against him were for a time suspended; but Gens. MIRAMON and MEJIA were compelled to appear upon the stage. On the 14th the case against the Emperor was taken up, the lawyers for the defence having proved that the presence of the accused was not necessary for the legality of the proceedings. At another time I shall be able to report to your Excellency more at length in regard to the thirteen points of accusation and the defence. Besides the usurpation of supreme power, the kindling of a civil war, &c., one of the chief points of accusation consists in the sanction of the decree of Oct. 3, 1864, in consequence of which, as the Liberals assert, 40,000 military executions took place throughout the country. On the 14th MM. HOOKIES, CURTOPASSI, FONSECA (late French Consul at Mazatlan, and confidential agent of the French Ambassador) and myself were arrested and taken to the headquarters of Gen. ECOBEDO. Here, by order of that General, and without any reason being given, it was intimated to us that we must leave Queretaro within two hours. We had hardly time secretly to inform the Emperor of the measure taken against us, and to collect our effects before a second order arrived from headquarters that we were to leave the town immediately. A quarter of an hour afterward we were on our road, an adjutant of ESCOBEDO giving us on leaving a passport to Cuantitlan Tambaya for us all, and informing us that the General had given orders that if we did not immediately leave Queretaro, or, if we returned during the next seven or eight days, it would cost us our lives (*es costara la vida.*) After a very fatiguing journey we reached Tambaya on the 16th, and here we heard that Gen. MARQUEZ appeared to have no thoughts of surrendering the City of Mexico, but continued to plunder and torture the inhabitants in the most shameless way, at the same time daily proclaiming victories for the Emperor, and his approach to the city. The famine in that city had reached a frightful pitch, and a third of the inhabitants had already migrated to the villages around held by the Liberals, where they were suffering extreme misery, and contagious diseases were beginning to rage. Also in the Liberal camp the exasperation against MARQUEZ, the other Imperial Generals, and the foreign officers and soldiers still serving in Mexico, was unbounded, as they could not suppose them to be still ignorant of the fate that had overtaken the Emperor. They accused them, therefore, of prolonging bloodshed without any hope of success from sheer obstinacy and hatred, and all the higher Mexican and European officers were in consequence on the list of those who were to suffer death when the city was taken. On the other hand, His Majesty the Emperor had pointed out the Lugarteniente Gen. MARQUEZ to me and my colleagues as the greatest traitor, who ever since he had left Queretaro, had constantly acted in direct opposition to the orders which had been sent him. The Emperor told me that Gen. MARQUEZ had never been authorized to go to Puebla, but that his orders had been to march with the garrison of Mexico, and the funds in the Treasury there to Queretaro, where the Emperor would then have fought a decisive battle with the chief army of the Liberals, of the favorable result of which he entertained no doubt. All these plans failed in consequence of the disobedience of Gen. MARQUEZ, who never sent one courier nor one centavo to Queretaro. After the return of Gen. MARQUEZ had been vainly expected for some weeks, and after many invariably successful partial engagements with an enemy six times as numerous as his own army, it had been resolved to give up Queretaro and to march upon Mexico. On the 15th of May the march was to have commenced in the morning, but at 3 o'clock the traitor LOPEZ—Colonel of the cavalry regiment De la Emperatriz, and in command at the fortified Convento de la Cruz, the key of the position at Queretaro—surrendered his post to the enemy. The Emperor told me also that he had taken some cavalry to the fortified hill on the west side of the town—the Cerro de la Campana—with the intention of rallying his troops. There he had waited for Gen. MIRAMON, but in the meantime had been badly wounded in the face and taken prisoner. Thus the valuable time that might have sufficed to enable them to cut their way through the enemy was uselessly lost. When the Emperor heard of the fate of MIRAMON it was too late to think of escape. The greater number of the Imperial troops—who, as well as their leaders, had behaved with the greatest courage and devotion during the siege—had been surprised and scattered or made prisoners. Even Gen. MEJIA advised the Emperor to surrender, as they were under a terrific fire of shell, and hostile columns were advancing to storm the position. The Emperor then himself took a white flag, and surrendered to Gen. RIVA PALACIO, in whom the Emperor had confidence, and who promised to [illegible] LOPEZ had been at the headquarters of D. R. ESCOBEDO, and had stipul[illegible]

[illegible] his master for 1,000 ounces of gold, but he afterwards received no more than 1,000 pesos. The Emperor himself told me, LOPEZ had betrayed him and his troops for about 11 reals a head. Arrived at Tacubaya, I immediately sent official information of the surrender of Queretaro and the captivity of the Emperor to the Austrian officers in Mexico, and communicated to them that an autograph letter from His Majesty, desiring them to avoid all further shedding of blood, had been sent to them by M. MAGNUS, but had probably been intercepted by Gen. MARQUEZ, and that they must now, therefore, consider themselves responsible to His Majesty the Emperor of Austria for the life of every Austrian soldier that should hereafter be unnecessarily sacrificed. I also offered to meet Col. Count KREVENHULLER between the trenches at night time, and by a personal interview to convince him of the authenticity of the news from Queretaro. At the same time I put myself in personal communication with the Republican General-in-Chief, POSSIRIO DIAZ, in order to obtain favorable conditions for the Austrian troops.

What follows in the dispatch of Baron LAGO, is already well known. Mexico capitulated, but the Minister had succeeded in obtaining favorable terms for his countrymen, and the Austrian troops, to the number of 150 men and 500 to 600 men from Mexico, and 17 officers and 50 to 60 men from Queretaro are now on their way home. The Austrians who had been in Mexico marched from there for Puebla on the 28th of June.

Letter from the Princess Charlotte on the Mexican Clergy.

The following letter from the Empress CHARLOTTE, dated January, 1865, appears in a pamphlet just published by M. ATHOU, Paris, under the title of "The Relations of the Court of Rome with the Mexican Government:"

"Your excellent letter, I repeat, has afforded me double pleasure, for it is at once a proof of your souvenir and of the friendship which does not cease to unite us. To speak frankly, we have need of them just now, for the situation is far from being bright. I do not know if you are aware that the Pope, who has a sprightly disposition, often says of himself that he is a *jettatore*. It is certain, however, that ever since his envoy set foot on our land we have only experienced bitter mortifications, and we are in expectation of others not less numerous in future. Energy and perseverance I believe we have; but I ask myself, if difficulties of this kind continue, whether it will be possible to overcome them. This is, in truth, the actual state of things. The clergy, mortally offended by the letter of December 27, is not to be easily overcome. All the old abuses combine to evade the orders of the Emperor regarding them. In this, perhaps, there is no fanaticism, but there is in it such steady and manœuvring tenacity that I believe it impossible for the persons who now compose the body of the clergy to adopt any other system. The question is what is to be done with them. When NAPOLEON I. obtained from the Pope the dismission of the emigrant Bishops they were living abroad, and as they were holy persons they were resigned. Those whom we have here would readily leave their sees but not their revenues. A salary from the State would not be an equivalent, and their ideal is to live in Europe in the possession of money while we are struggling to establish the position of the Church. There is to be a revision of the Church property sold—a second apple of discord—for in consequence of acknowledging the reformed laws, we have brought the Conservatives upon us. Now we are going to have upon our shoulders the Liberals and the albinoses. As there can be but one weight and one measure for all, those who have been guilty of illegal operations must give up their gains, and I am afraid that this work of reparation and of justice will excite as much passion as the loss of their property did in regard to the clergy. In the midst of all this Oajaca is not yet taken, and this troubles the public mind. If, unhappily, anything should go wrong there, the shell would burst in several places. During the last month we have been passing through a very sharp crisis. If we pass it successfully the throne of Mexico and Mexican Empire may be brilliant; if not, I do not know what we must expect from it. During the first six months everybody considered the Government perfect; touch anything, put your hand to any work, and you were cursed. It is nothing that will now save itself dethroned. Perhaps you would believe with me that Nothing is a manageable substance, because it is nothing; on the contrary, you come against it at every step in this country, and it is of more solid granite than almost all the forces of the human mind. The pyramids of Egypt would be less difficult to raise than the Mexican Nothing to be overcome. However, everything here would be of secondary importance were it not for the main fact that the army is diminishing and with it the material force of the Government. I am ever afraid that we are grasping the shadow for the substance. No doubt the Corps Legislatif in France will speak out, but that will be nothing more or less than sounding speeches. Here, however, it is facts which can compromise the success of the work which France has founded, and which is destined to bear the name of NAPOLEON III. to future generations. It is very well to say, as is said in the English Parliament, "Mexico is in really such good order that it does not need any help," but for my part I prefer keeping to realities. In order to civilize this country it is necessary to be completely master of it, and in order to get elbow room it is necessary constantly to realize its strength in great battalions. This is an argument which is not disputed. All strength which cannot be realized, such as prestige, skill, popularity, enthusiasm, has only a conventional value; these are resources which rise and fall—troops are indispensable. Austrians and Belgians are very good in times of calm, but let tempest come and they are only red trousers. If I may tell you all my thoughts, I believe it will be very difficult for us to pass through all the first vital crises if the country be not more occupied than it is. Everything is much scattered; and it seems to me that instead of recalling anything, it is perhaps essential to augment. I fear very much that the Marshal repents of not having written in the month of October what we asked him to write. He has dreaded the discontent in France, and has, I believe, exchanged little unpleasantnesses for a great one. That is not my opinion only; it is where I could not venture to give it with so much assurance—it is that of ——, and also of ——, who are both competent judges. They say that they are not reassured, not so much on our account as on account of the army; for we can bear a check—nobody would be surprised at that—but the French army could not. We can, if need be, retire like JUAREZ into a distant province—we can go back to where we came from; but France must triumph, first because she is France, and next because her honor is engaged.

SOUTH AND CENTRAL AMERICA.

Arrival of the Steamship Arizona—$944,394 in Treasure.

The Pacific Mail Steamship Company's steamer *Arizona*, Commander MAURY, from Aspinwall 12th inst., arrived at this port yesterday. The following is her

TREASURE LIST FROM SAN FRANCISCO:

Panama R. R. Co.	$26,692	Weil & Co	$50,346
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Dabney, Morgan & Co.	15,481	Total	$943,194

FROM ASPINWALL.

S. L. Isaacs & Asch	$1,000
Grand total	$944,394

Intelligence from Panama, Chili and Peru—The Expected Return of the Spaniards to the Pacific—Valparaiso Being Fortified—Opening of the Port of Pisco.

From Our Own Correspondent.

PANAMA, Monday, Aug. 12, 1867.

The Pacific Steam Navigation Company's steamship *Pacific*, WOLCOTT, Commander, arrived at Tabogs on the morning of the 3d inst. Her dates are: Valparaiso, July 17; Coquimbo, 18th; Caldera, 19th; Cobija, 21st; Iquique, 21st; Arica, 22d; Islay, 23d; Callao, 28th; Guayaquil, 27th.

The United States flagship *Susquehanna*, of the North Atlantic Squadron, Rear-Admiral JAMES S. PALMER, arrived at Aspinwall from Vera Cruz on the 6th inst., where she will remain until about the 20th inst., and then sail for Carthagena and St. Thomas. The *Monongahela*, Commodore BISSELL, also arrived at Aspinwall on the 10th. The *Saco*, Commander HENRY WILSON, left under orders from Admiral PALMER, on the 10th inst., for Carthagena, to be gone a few days, when she will return to her station. The health of all aboard these vessels is excellent.

AFFAIRS IN CHILI.

The steamship *Arica*, from Liverpool, touching at Montevideo, arrived in the Bay of Valparaiso on the 12th of July, having left that port on the 23d of June, and reports the Spanish iron-clad *Numancia* at Santa Catalina, Rio, where she was undergoing repairs of her machinery. From the statements of the officers and passengers of the *Arica* there was nothing at all being said at Rio of the return of the Spaniards to the Pacific, although the arrival of this frigate at Rio Janeiro is considered a bad sign. But little change had occurred in the unsatisfactory state of affairs existing for some time, and it is likely to continue until something definite in regard to the movements of the Spaniards is made public. At any rate, the question of the probability or improbability of an immediate renewal of hostilities between Spain and the Allied Republics, appear to be involved in considerable obscurity. While on the one hand the Press, the commercial community and the general public, are unanimous in the opinion that the Spaniards contemplate another invasion, the Government organ stoutly maintains that the Spanish squadron had no such orders or intentions.

A correspondent writing to the Panama *Mercantile Chronicle*, from Valparaiso, under date of July 17, the day the mail left, says that news had been received at the last moment that MENDEZ NUNEZ had arrived at Montevedo with three frigates, immediately on receipt of which the Ministry held a Cabinet meeting. Previous to the receipt of the intelligence referred to, it was generally understood that the Government had given orders to declare certain battalions and to sell several ships-of-war. The [illegible]

[illegible] public mind and the reduction of expenses were sought to be gained by one and the same means. The reported arrival of MENDEZ NUNEZ at Montevideo with three frigates rather puzzled the Government, and immediately arrested their course of action. The general opinion throughout Chili now is that the Spaniards will return. Under the effect of this alarm the Government are pushing on the works of fortifying Valparaiso with more energy than ever. More than sixty cannon, with calibres respectively 450, 500 and 600 pounds, have already been mounted on batteries around the heights of Valparaiso commanding the bay.

AFFAIRS IN PERU.

Notwithstanding some little discontent existing on account of the reform in public offices and salaries, the poverty of the Treasury, the unsatisfactory state of foreign relations, the continual discord between those in power and the absence of a constitution and a constitutional President, tranquillity reigns throughout the Republic and without any symptoms of any serious trouble. Nothing whatever had been accomplished toward making up the deficiency in the public revenue, on account of the still pending differences between the Cabinet and Congress. On the 28th of July, Independence Day, it was believed that the new Constitution would be promulgated and that President PRADO would on the same day be installed, but up to time of the departure of the *Pacific* nothing definite in regard to the matter had been made public.

Mr. VARNAGHEN, Minister Plenipotentiary of Brazil to Lima, has withdrawn from the Republic on account of a misunderstanding with the Government, arising from that part of the memoir of the Foreign Office relating to the Oriental Alliance, which was presented to Congress, and from some expressions in President PRADO's message at the opening of Congress. Mr. VARNAGHEN has gone to Ecuador.

Gen. HOVEY, United States Minister to Peru, has gone to Chili, it is believed, with the object to conciliate the arrangements of peace between Spain and the Allied Republics.

The person selected as Minister to Mexico by the President, not being considered a proper one to discharge the duties of that office, Congress made an addition to the law nullifying the power previously conferred.

A meeting of the Administrator of the Custom-house and several merchants of Callao was held on July 18, which resulted in a considerable reduction in the tariff of duties on articles of national production.

At a meeting of the merchants on the 24th July, they resolved to send a memorial to Government, asking the transfer of the Custom-house to Lima, and that the power now in deposit at the Callao Custom-house should be removed as soon as practicable, as an explosion would destroy all the merchandise there deposited.

The President, in answer to the Commission, and after kindly showing them the present obstacles which prevented the immediate removal of the Custom-house to the capital, promised to have the powder out of the Custom-house as soon as possible.

The Minister of Finance has presented to Congress a project of law to cancel all salaries due to employes and others with credit bonds.

A decree was issued July 22, prohibiting from that date the entrance of any Spaniard into the territory of the Republic. In disregard of this order, those who enter the Republic shall be punished in accordance with decree of May 11, 1866.

A new law of the Republic establishes: 1. From the 1st January, 1868, no other coin will be received at the offices of the Government than the national coin, and in this money all payments shall be made. 2. The Government shall withdraw from circulation all Peruvian money and convert it into decimal money, according to the law of Feb. 14, 1863. 3. In future the national gold coins will not have an official value. They will be received and paid at the Government offices according to their current market value.

The port of Pisco has been declared open. It is six miles from the Chincnas, and it seems probable that the ships loaded at the Chinchas will be in future dispatched from Pisco. It is likely a large importation will be made from this port, for the present time, as the port is conveniently situated for business with towns on the other side of the Andes. The large quantities of cotton and liquors produced in that neighborhood will not require in future to be sent to Callao for exportation, as they can now be exported direct.

THE TURF.

Hartford Horse Association—Trotting and Driving Races—Award of Premiums.

HARTFORD, Conn., Tuesday, Aug. 20.

The seventh annual exhibition of the Hartford Horse Association opened to-day at the Trotting Park, under very favorable auspices. The entry-books closed at 10 o'clock with a full list of 133 entries, superior in their general character to any made at any previous exhibition. Among the noted animals brought together for a test of speed are the celebrated trotting mares *Lady Thorne* and *Lucy*. GEORGE C. HITCHCOCK, of New-Preston, exhibits some superior blooded stock of the *Ashland* and *Patchen* breed. WM. B. SMITH, of this city, exhibits some fine animals on the ground, including his four-year-old colt *Thomas Jefferson*, also *Membrino, Patchen*, and *Gramie State*.

At 11 o'clock classes were called in regular order.

Eight entries were made of brood mares and three premiums taken, as follows:

Bay mare *Heatherbloom*, owned by M. H. GRIFFIN, of Middletown, first premium; *Kitty Rucker*, owned by WILLIAM E. SMITH, of Hartford, second premium; and *Fannie*, owned by D. W. THRALL, of Bloomfield, third premium.

The following premiums were also awarded:

For colts under one year old—*Bashaw*, M. H. GRIFFIN, owner, first; *Rose Terry*, WM. B. SMITH, owner, second; *Lady Allen*, WM. G. ALLEN, owner, third.

For colts two years old and under three—*Buckingham*, WM. B. SMITH, owner, first; *Highland Ash*, GEO. C. HITCHCOCK, owner, second; *Young Heatherbloom*, M. H. GRIFFIN, owner, third.

For colts three years old; *Clarion, Jr.*, THOS. DUNN, owner, first; *Abdallah Chief*, ABIJAH WOODRUFF, owner, Second; *Berlin Beauty*, WM. B. SMITH, owner, third.

In the trotting race for colts four years old and under, mile heats, best two in three; *Granite State*, WM. B. SMITH, owner, took first premium; *Blacksmiths Maid*, L. T. MCQUINCY, owner, second.

In the race for trotting stallions, *Leviathan*, owned by WM. L. BRADLEY, of Meriden, won the first premium, $200; and *Monitor*, owned by CHAS. DICKERMAN, of New-Haven, the second, $100. *Leviathan's* best time was 2:41.

A. A. BOND, of Hartford, took the first premium, and JOHN FARRAR the second, for best family horses under six years old, without regard to speed.

Two entries were made of trotting horses with running mates, viz., *Goodbeer*, owned by WALTER SMITH, of Mechanicsville, N. Y., and *Kingston*, owned by GEORGE H. PENFIELD, of Hartford. The latter took the first premium, $60, and SMITH the second, $40. *Kingston's* best time was 2:33.

In the race for gentlemen's driving horses, that had never trotted in public faster than 2:32, there were two entries, viz.: *Breeze*, owned by JAMES MCKEE, of Paterson, N. J., and *John Ferris*, owned by J. J. BOWEN, of Boston. *Breeze* won the first heat in 2:38¼; *Ferris* the second, third and fourth heats in 2:37, 2:40, 2:42.

The first premium of $200, was awarded to Mr. BOWEN, and the second premium to Mr. MCKEE. In this class *Breeze* was the favorite at the start, as the sales of pools indicated almost two to one.

During the afternoon the attendance was fair, and the number of teams within the track unusually large. To-morrow the programme embraces gentlemen's driving horses, running horses, matched horses, stallions for general use under six years, fastest pairs of trotting horses, &c.

In the fastest class for Thursday for a purse of $1,100, *Lady Thorne* and *Lucy* will be brought together for the first time. They are said to be the fastest trotting mares in the country.

Messrs. UNDERHILL & CLARK, of Boston, at their pool sale to-night, sold in the 2:27 class for to-morrow, Goldsmith Mare, $100; *Empress*, $40; *Col. Maynard*, $30.

In the running race *Irene*, of this city, was the favorite by more than two to one. The *Lawrence Boy*, of Boston, was second.

Springfield National Horse Show.

SPRINGFIELD, Mass., Tuesday, Aug. 20.

The fifth National Horse Show, which opens in this city on Tuesday, Aug. 27, promises to be a great success. To-day the horses *Lady Thorne, Lucy, Volunteer, Leviathan, McClellan* and others have been entered, and many of the finest horses in the country will be on exhibition.

Two new classes have been formed, making thirty-nine in all, of gentlemens' driving horses which have never beaten the time of 2:32 and 2:27. Prizes of $150 are offered in each class.

A Test Suit Against the Merchant's Union Express Company.

ALBANY, Tuesday, Aug. 20.

A test suit has been instituted in the United States District Court for the Northern District of New-York by HENRY E. PHELPS, of Michigan, through JOHN H. REYNOLDS, of this city, his counsel, against the Executive Committee of the Merchants' Union Express Company and the Company itself, to restrain the forfeiture of his stock, and the collection of the last call of 10 per cent, and also to recover back the money paid, and have his name stricken from the subscription list.

A motion for an injunction according to the prayer of the bill of complaint has been noticed to be heard before Justice NELSON at Cooperstown on the 29th inst.

National Labor Congress at Chicago.

CHICAGO, Tuesday, Aug. 20.

The National Labor Congress met at 9 o'clock this morning. A number of delegates arrived since yesterday, and were admitted to their seats. Committees were appointed on the national organ, the eight-hour movement and coöperation.

The Committee on the Constitution reported a draft, which was discussed during the morning and afternoon session and referred back to the Committee.

On motion, committees were appointed on the National Labor Organization, and to be composed of one delegate from each State represented; on convict labor, on the qualifications of apprentices, on the subject of taxation of United States bonds, &c.

After the appointment of these committees and some desultory discussion as to the instructions to be given them, the Convention adjourned to 9 o'clock to-morow morning.

Burning of a Machine-shop in Ohio.

BUCYRUS, Ohio, Tuesday, Aug. 20.

Messrs. FREY & SHOCKLER'S machine-shop was burned last night. Loss $12,000; insured for $4,000.

GENERAL CITY NEWS.

ANOTHER HOTEL SUICIDE.—An inquest was held yesterday, by Coroner WILDEY, at the Oak-street Station-house, over the body of an unknown man, who is supposed to be A. GOODRICH, of Brooklyn, who committed suicide by leaping from a sixth-story window at the Frankfort House, on the corner of Frankfort and William streets. It appears from the evidence, that the deceased called at the hotel on Monday evening, and registered himself as "A. GOODRICH," when he was assigned to a room on the sixth floor. Nothing more was heard of him until 10 o'clock yesterday morning, when he made the fatal leap. Deceased fell flat on his face, and was quite dead when picked up. Dr. WOOSTER BEACH made the necessary examination, and found the left thigh and right leg were broken. In his opinion death had resulted from concussion. The jury rendered a verdict in accordance. Deceased was about 25 years of age. No clue to his identity could be obtained. The body has been sent to the Morgue.

FELONIOUS ASSAULTS.—Yesterday afternoon a disturbance took place in the lager-bier saloon, No. 18 Green-street, between the proprietor, JOSEPH MONKHOFF, and JOHN CASEY. The latter was shot in the hand, and was also severely injured in the head, by being beaten by MONKHOFF. He was taken to Bellevue Hospital, and the assailant arrested by Officer LAUGHLIN, of the Eighth Precinct.... JOHN HARBWIG, of No. 515 East Fifteenth-street, quarreled with JOHANNA MUTZ, and stabbed her in the breast, a weapon inflicting a frightful, though not a fatal wound. The sufferer was taken to Bellevue Hospital, and HARBWIG locked up in the Eighteenth Ward Station-house.

ACCIDENTS.—LOUIS SCHNEIDER, aged 5 years, was run over at the corner of Tenth-street and Second-avenue, by a truck driven by WM. EDWARDS. The boy was not dangerously injured.... MARIA MASSETT, of No. 4 Macdougal-street, fell in the street and broke her leg. She was taken to the Bellevue Hospital.... Yesterday morning MILES BRADLEY, a street-sweeper, was knocked down by a runaway horse in Thirty-first-street, near Seventh-avenue, being severely injured.... EDWARD SMITH of No. 397 Third-avenue, fell in a fit on the corner of Thirty-fourth-street and First-avenue. He was taken home.

ARRIVALS IN THE CITY.—Lord Morley, Lord Camperdown and Hon. H. Cowper are at the Clarendon Hotel. Gen. Rufus King, late United States Minister to Rome, and M. Cerruti, the new Italian Minister, are at the Brevoort House. Gen. Hensein, of Turkey, is at the Hoffman House. Gen. Rousseau and family, Bishop Kerfoot and brother, of Pittsburgh, and Capt. Buchanan, England, are at the St. James Hotel. Gen. M. S. Wade, Ohio, is at the Fifth-avenue Hotel. Col. Drysdale and Major Slack, of the British army, and Hon. E. A. Rollins, Washington, are at the Astor House. Hon. John A. Griswold, Troy, is at the New-York Hotel.

METROPOLITAN REVENUE BOARD.—Several places were reported yesterday as having being seized, or being under investigation. Among others, the coal oil distillery of Mr. WM. H. MCKIRGAN, of Jersey city; five barrels of spirits, at a house in Twenty-seventh-street, between Seventh and Eighth avenues; the rectifying establishment of MORRIS LEVI, No. 448 West Thirty-third-street, by Revenue Inspector H. C. GROAT; the rectifying establishment of D. L. SCHWARTZ, adjoining that of LEVI's, by Inspector GROAT.

THE CITY HALL PARK.—Preparations are being made to lay the walks through the City Hall Park with a new kind of pavement, somewhat resembling asphaltum. One path has been laid with it for about a year past, and it appears to wear well, being affectedly neither cold nor heat. Its cost is comparatively small.

ORGAN OPENING.—On Thursday evening the two organs erected by the ODELL BROS in St. Timothy's Church, in Fifty-seventh-street, between Eighth and Ninth avenues, will be opened and a grand concert given. Messrs. H. E. BROWNER, JOHN P. MORGAN and HEINRICH GREINER will perform.

PERSONAL.—Commander MARCELLO CERRUTI, Envoy Extraordinary and Minister Plenipotentiary from Italy to the United States, arrived in the *Scotia* yesterday, and is now stopping at the Brevoort House. His Excellency has but lately left Berne.

FIRE.—About 9 o'clock last night a slight fire occurred in a dance-house, at No. 100 James-street. The flames were kindled by one of the girls, who entered a closet with a light, which set fire to the clothes contained therein.

MUSIC AT THE PARK.—The Park Commissioners announce that, if the weather is fine, there will be music on the Lake at the Park to-day, (Wednesday,) commencing at 4:30 o'clock P. M.

MINOR ITEMS.—ANTON SCHMIDT, of No. 122 East Fifty-third-street, fell from a second story window yesterday morning, and was so severely injured that he died soon after at St. Luke's Hospital. Coroner GAMBLE was notified to hold an inquest.... JOHN KENNEDY, of No. 219 East Thirty-eighth-street, quarreled with his wife MARGARET, and struck her on the head with a smoothing-iron. As the wife declined to make a complaint, KENNEDY was discharged.... The body of a female child was found in the gutter in front of No. 76 Beach-street.... A live male infant about 8 months old was found at the corner of Washington and Franklin streets, and sent to the Central Office.... MURTY ROGERS and MICHAEL HAYES, who escaped on the 18th from the Penitentiary on Blackwell's Island by swimming, were arrested on Monday by Officers LINDEN and COTTRELL, Twenty-second Precinct Police.... JAMES MCDERMOTT, of No. 58 East Fourth-street, was found in Broadway prostrated by the heat. He was taken to the New-York Hospital.... EDWARD ULRENBRAU, of the Pacific Hotel, was stabbed in the hand and slightly injured during an altercation with a stranger in the New-York Theatre. The stranger made some remark to Mrs. DUERENBERRY, and the husband resented the affront. The fellow eluded arrest.... The body of JOHN MEARER was found yesterday in the yard of his residence, No. 92 Broome-street. Coroner GOVER will hold an inquest.... Mrs. CATHARINE QUINN poured kerosene oil upon a fire at her residence, in Tenth-avenue, near Manhattan-street, when she was severely burned, as was also her husband.... WM. H. LINDSAY was arrested yesterday on a charge of setting fire to the plumbing establishment of M. RILEY, No. 628 Sixth-avenue, and was locked up for examination.... The body of LAWRENCE O'BRIEN was found yesterday floating in the East River, near Pier No. 52. Coroner WILDEY was notified.

BROOKLYN NEWS.

THE EXCISE LAW ON CONEY ISLAND.—The hotels on Coney Island, Fort Hamilton, and on the different roads to those places, have recently kept open house for all who came along. On Sunday last a number were arrested for violating the Excise Law. The parties were brought before Justice CROMWELL, where Mr. VREDER, their counsel, objected to the jurisdiction of the Court, and it was finally decided to let the local Justices attend to the matter. Those arrested were taken before Justice VOORHIES, of Gravesend, and disposed of as follows: EDWARD FREAR and FREDERICK BURCKHARDT, hotel proprietors, were fined $35 each. The cases of JOHN STILWELL, CHARLES MERRITT, and EDWARD CURRAN, barkeepers of Green's Hotel, on Coney Island, and CHARLES S. HYDE, bar-tender for HENRY DITMAS, demanded a jury trial. The examinations were adjourned until the 26th inst. THEODORE HOOK, CHARLES DECKER, JAMES TRAINER, bar-tenders at the Tivoli House; THOMAS SHAUGHNESSY, bar-tender at WYCKOFF'S; EDWARD PAGE, bar-tender at the Metropolitan; THOMAS G. HARRISON, proprietor, and JOHN DENNISON, bar-tender, all waived examination and gave bail to appear before the Grand Jury.

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS.—A regular meeting of the Board was held yesterday afternoon, the President, Mr. LITTLE, in the chair. The Committee appointed to select a site for a new County Nursery reported in favor of purchasing the Delaplaine property, at Bay Ridge, for $50,000. Some debate ensued, and several members contended that it would be more advantageous to erect an addition to the old building in Flatbush than to purchase a new site. It was finally decided to instruct the Committee on the subject to select a suitable person to suggest views in relation to the erection of an addition to the present Nursery building. After some other action of trifling importance, the Board adjourned.

STOLEN PROPERTY IDENTIFIED.—Two young men named WM. TALBOTT and THOMAS MCCAULEY, were arrested on Monday last on the charge of perpetrating several burglaries on Coney Island, Fort Hamilton, Bath and Canarsie. They were brought before Justice BOERUM and committed for further examination. The officers have since ascertained that the following persons were robbed, as supposed, by the parties: John A. Kissam and T. C. Church, Fort Hamilton; Col. Wm. Cropsey, of New-Utrecht; Barney Williams, and M. Fatmans, of Bath; Mr. Feiter, of Coney Island; Mr. Hicks Post, of the Coney Island Road, and Messrs. Seaman and Talling, of Canarsie. A large portion of the property alleged to have been stolen has been identified by some of the above parties.

MASONIC FUNERALS.—Mr. THOMAS HOTCHKISS, a Williamsburgh manufacturer, recently deceased, was yesterday interred with Masonic honors. The funeral exercises were held at Christ Church, Bedford-avenue, and the Rev. Dr. PARTRIDGE officiated. The members of Hyatt Lodge attended in a body.... Mr. WM. R. BRISTOW, a famous musician, and a member of Star of Hope Lodge, who died at his residence, Forest-street, E. D., on Sunday morning last, was also buried with Masonic honors. The deceased was well known to the frequenters of the Old Olympic.

SUDDEN DEATH OF A POLICEMAN.—Policeman JAMES H. JONES, of the Atlantic Dock force, fell down dead while on duty, about 12 o'clock on Monday night. He appeared to be greatly affected by the heat during the day, and complained of pain in the head. The cause of death is supposed to be apoplexy. Deceased was about 43 years of age. He leaves a wife and several children.

RIOTERS FINED.—MICHAEL WOLF and FRANK WOLF, arrested for riotous behavior at a picnic in Strattonport, L. I., were yesterday arraigned before Justice WALTER, found guilty of the charge and fined $11 50.

FIRE IN THE NAVY-YARD.—A fire broke out in the paint-room of the boiler-shop in the Navy-yard, about 11 o'clock on Monday night, causing damage to the amount of $500. The fire was the result of accident.

NEW-JERSEY.

SINGULAR SHOOTING OCCURRENCE.—About 11:30 o'clock on Monday night word was sent to the Hudson City Police-station that a young man, 19 years of age, named MICHAEL OATES, residing at West End, had returned home under the influence of liquor, and had attempted to shoot his mother while asleep in her bed. An officer was dispatched to the house, when he was informed that the report was incorrect. Their version of the story was that the young man was handling the gun in the room where his mother was sleeping, and that it was accidentally discharged, the muzzle being so near to the bed that the ball was set on fire. Mrs. OATES being aroused in so unusual a manner, naturally supposed some one was attempting to take her life, and her screams of murder, together with the report of fire-arms, aroused the neighbors, and for a while caused intense excitement.